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## THE LABOUR FORCE, AUSTRALIA, DECEMBER 1992, PRELIMINARY

Care should be taken in the interpretation of month-to-month movements in estimates (see paragraph 17 of the Explanatory Notes). During the period September to December 1992 a new sample for the Labour Force Survey is being introduced, which will increase the variability of estimates of month-to-month movements. See paragraph 10 of the Explanatory Notes.

### MAIN FEATURES

The December 1992 seasonally adjusted estimate of employed persons was 7,660,600, an increase of 24,500 since November 1992. Full-time employment increased by 34,000 to 5,878,600. The number of males employed full time rose by 14,000 to 3,983,700 and female full-time employment rose by 20,000 to 1,894,900. Part-time employment fell by 9,600 to 1,782,000 with a decrease of 16,600 in female part-time employment offsetting a rise of 7,100 in the number of males employed part time. The trend estimate of employment fell for the fourth successive month after increasing in the previous five months. The trend estimate of full-time employment has been relatively flat since July 1992. For males employed full time the underlying trend has been one of decline since July

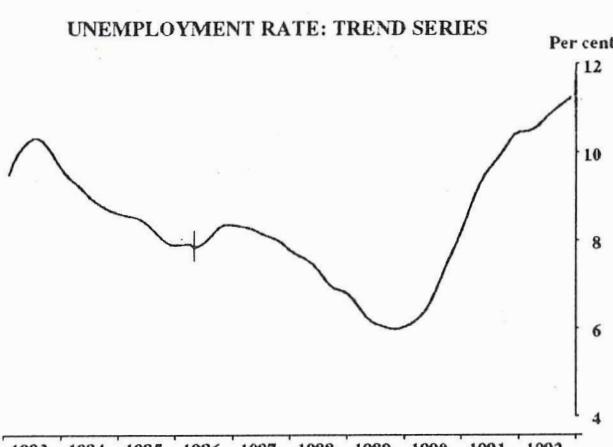
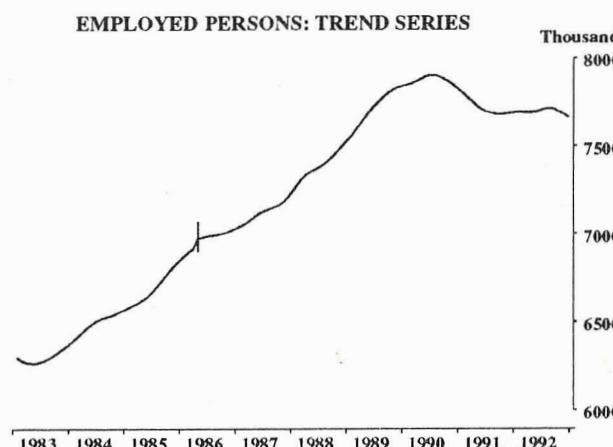
1990 although the rate of decrease was generally slower in 1992 than in the previous twelve months. For females employed full time, there have been small monthly increases in the trend estimate since August 1992. Trend estimates of males and females employed part time have been decreasing since August and September 1992 respectively after more than twelve months of increases (see graphs on page 2).

The December 1992 seasonally adjusted estimate of unemployed persons was 978,700, virtually the same as the October and November 1992 estimates. The number of unemployed males fell by 13,100 to 598,100, mainly due to a fall of 10,200 in the number of 15 to 19 year olds seeking full-time work. For females, unemployment increased by 12,000 to 380,600, with an increase of 12,500 in the number of adult females looking for full-time work. Trend estimates of unemployed persons continue to increase. Trend estimates of unemployed males and females seeking full-time work have been increasing since October 1989, although for females the rate of increase in 1992 was slower than during 1990 and 1991. For males looking for part-time work the trend has been increasing since April 1992. For females seeking part-time work the trend has been steady for the past four months (see graphs on page 3).

The seasonally adjusted estimate of the unemployment rate for December 1992 was 11.3%, compared with 11.4% in November 1992. For males the unemployment rate fell by 0.3 percentage points to 11.9%, while for females the rate increased by 0.3 percentage points to 10.5%. For 15 to 19 year olds, the seasonally adjusted full-time unemployment rate was 30.6% in December 1992 compared with 33.2% in November 1992. This rate is the proportion of 15 to 19 year olds in the full-time labour force unable to find employment. The trend unemployment rate continues to rise gradually and stood at 11.3% in December 1992.

The December 1992 seasonally adjusted estimates of the unemployment rate for the States were (with November 1992 estimates shown in brackets): New South Wales 11.4% (11.1%), Victoria 11.5% (12.1%), Queensland 10.8% (11.3%), South Australia 12.0% (12.2%), Western Australia 11.1% (10.3%) and Tasmania 12.6% (11.4%).

The seasonally adjusted estimate of the participation rate for December 1992 was 62.7% compared with 62.6% in November 1992. For males, the participation rate was unchanged at 73.9%, while for females the participation rate increased slightly to 51.7%. The trend estimate of the participation rate fell slightly to 62.7%.



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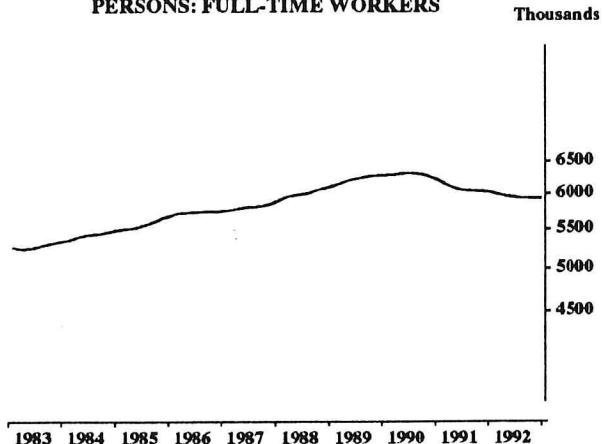
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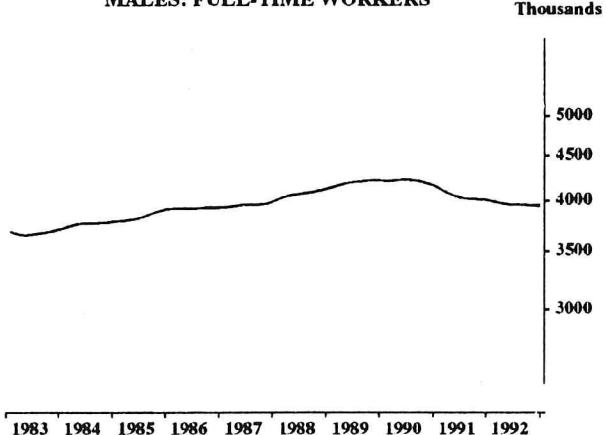
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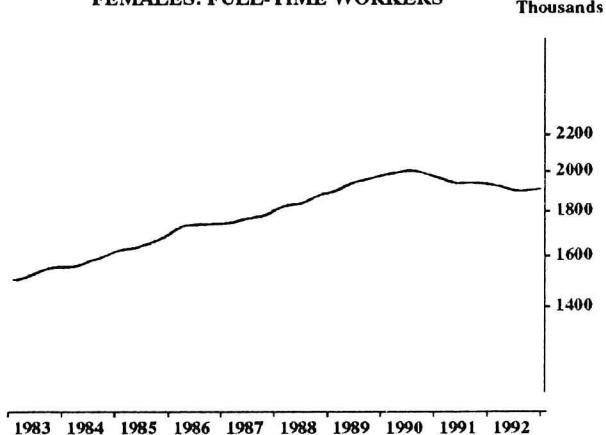
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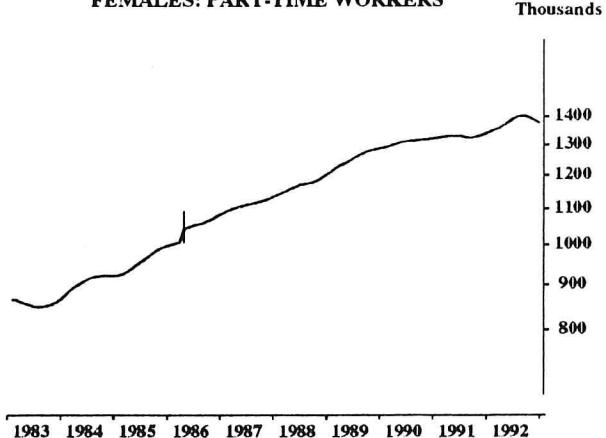
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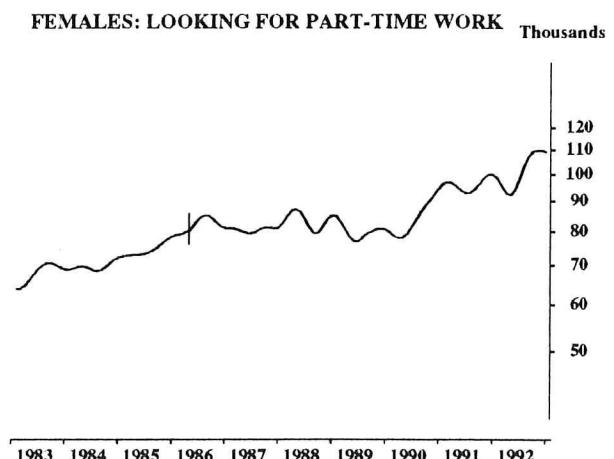
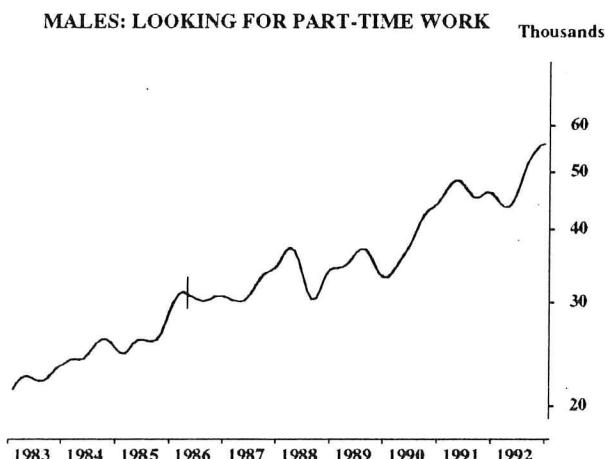
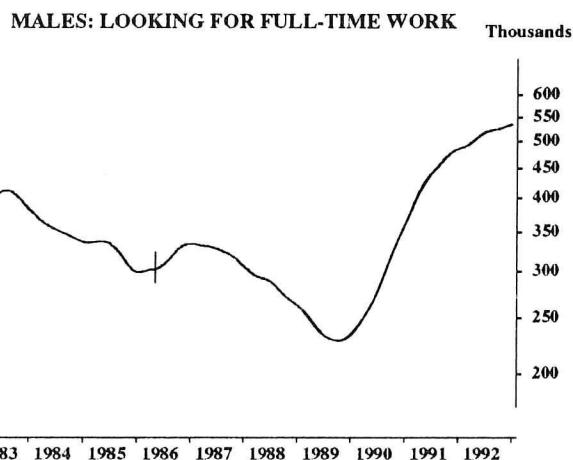
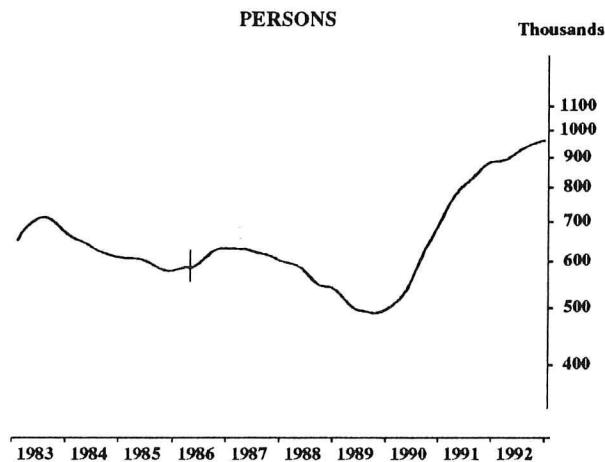


TABLE 1. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER

Month	Unemployed										Civilian population aged 15 and over	Unemployment rate - per cent -	Participation rate			
	Employed		Looking for full-time work		Looking for part-time work -'000 -		Labour force	Not in labour force								
	Full-time workers	Total	Aged 15-19 looking for first job	Total	Total	'000 -										
MALES																
<b>1991 —</b>																
October	4,075.4	4,473.4	22.4	453.9	40.5	494.5	4,967.9	1,723.4	6,691.2	10.0	74.2					
November	4,021.3	4,456.3	31.4	466.8	33.3	500.1	4,956.3	1,743.5	6,699.8	10.1	74.0					
December	4,098.1	4,508.6	49.2	503.2	54.5	557.7	5,066.2	1,642.2	6,708.4	11.0	75.5					
<b>1992 —</b>																
January	4,024.1	4,424.7	50.6	540.9	50.1	591.0	5,015.7	1,700.9	6,716.6	11.8	74.7					
February	4,015.1	4,448.3	43.9	542.9	52.2	595.1	5,043.4	1,681.3	6,724.7	11.8	75.0					
March	4,003.5	4,459.2	36.6	520.7	49.1	569.8	5,029.0	1,703.9	6,732.8	11.3	74.7					
April	4,002.1	4,459.0	31.9	506.7	42.3	549.0	5,007.9	1,732.1	6,740.1	11.0	74.3					
May	3,982.8	4,449.7	35.7	527.3	41.7	569.0	5,018.7	1,728.6	6,747.3	11.3	74.4					
June	3,982.4	4,455.0	32.6	517.8	42.7	560.5	5,015.5	1,739.1	6,754.5	11.2	74.3					
July	4,018.0	4,477.6	32.1	534.1	42.1	576.3	5,053.8	1,708.3	6,762.1	11.4	74.7					
August	3,966.5	4,433.4	33.6	521.0	43.4	564.4	4,997.8	1,771.9	6,769.7	11.3	73.8					
September	3,999.8	4,469.7	33.2	520.2	46.5	566.7	5,036.4	1,741.0	6,777.3	11.3	74.3					
October	4,005.2	4,468.7	30.4	503.0	54.0	557.1	5,025.8	1,758.8	6,784.6	11.1	74.1					
November	3,959.9	4,405.9	33.8	519.7	44.6	564.2	4,970.2	1,821.6	6,791.8	11.4	73.2					
December	4,029.9	4,472.3	43.5	548.5	60.2	608.7	5,081.0	1,718.0	6,799.0	12.0	74.7					
Standard error of — December 1992 estimates Nov 92 to Dec 92 movements	19.5	20.2	3.2	9.3	3.7	9.7	21.1	14.4	..	0.2	0.3					
16.7	17.3	3.1	7.9	3.5	8.2	18.2	12.4	..	0.2	0.3						
FEMALES																
<b>1991 —</b>																
October	1,926.9	3,214.4	19.5	223.0	84.1	307.1	3,521.5	3,342.6	6,864.2	8.7	51.3					
November	1,879.8	3,217.9	18.2	232.5	84.9	317.4	3,535.3	3,338.2	6,873.5	9.0	51.4					
December	1,942.8	3,270.9	38.2	264.8	97.9	362.7	3,633.6	3,249.3	6,882.9	10.0	52.8					
<b>1992 —</b>																
January	1,919.3	3,146.2	40.1	280.4	88.3	368.7	3,514.8	3,377.0	6,891.8	10.5	51.0					
February	1,904.8	3,202.6	40.3	297.9	104.7	402.6	3,605.2	3,295.5	6,900.7	11.2	52.2					
March	1,889.7	3,245.3	30.4	265.2	114.2	379.3	3,624.6	3,285.1	6,909.7	10.5	52.5					
April	1,864.4	3,237.5	30.2	267.2	94.7	361.9	3,599.4	3,318.7	6,918.1	10.1	52.0					
May	1,872.0	3,237.7	30.6	262.2	89.3	351.5	3,589.2	3,337.2	6,926.4	9.8	51.8					
June	1,854.6	3,246.3	30.9	259.0	94.7	353.7	3,600.1	3,334.7	6,934.8	9.8	51.9					
July	1,887.4	3,264.0	31.0	259.2	90.8	350.1	3,614.1	3,329.6	6,943.6	9.7	52.0					
August	1,839.5	3,245.8	29.3	244.0	97.9	342.0	3,587.8	3,364.6	6,952.4	9.5	51.6					
September	1,881.8	3,291.0	25.8	245.3	114.1	359.4	3,650.4	3,310.9	6,961.3	9.8	52.4					
October	1,870.5	3,256.2	25.3	244.2	101.2	345.4	3,601.6	3,367.5	6,969.1	9.6	51.7					
November	1,878.8	3,250.7	28.9	239.5	91.6	331.1	3,581.8	3,395.0	6,976.8	9.2	51.3					
December	1,935.0	3,277.8	45.3	279.0	101.0	380.0	3,657.8	3,326.8	6,984.6	10.4	52.4					
Standard error of — December 1992 estimates Nov 92 to Dec 92 movements	15.1	18.2	3.2	7.1	4.6	8.1	18.9	18.3	..	0.2	0.3					
12.7	15.4	3.1	6.1	4.2	6.9	16.1	15.6	..	0.2	0.2						
PERSONS																
<b>1991 —</b>																
October	6,002.3	7,687.8	41.9	676.9	124.6	801.6	8,489.4	5,066.0	13,555.4	9.4	62.6					
November	5,901.0	7,674.1	49.6	699.3	118.2	817.5	8,491.6	5,081.7	13,573.3	9.6	62.6					
December	6,041.0	7,779.5	87.3	767.9	152.4	920.4	8,699.8	4,891.5	13,591.3	10.6	64.0					
<b>1992 —</b>																
January	5,943.4	7,570.9	90.7	821.3	138.4	959.7	8,530.5	5,077.9	13,608.4	11.2	62.7					
February	5,919.9	7,650.9	84.2	840.8	156.9	997.7	8,648.6	4,976.8	13,625.4	11.5	63.5					
March	5,893.2	7,704.4	67.0	785.8	163.3	949.1	8,633.6	4,988.9	13,642.5	11.0	63.4					
April	5,866.5	7,696.4	62.2	773.8	137.0	910.9	8,607.3	5,050.8	13,658.1	10.6	63.0					
May	5,854.8	7,687.5	66.2	789.5	130.9	920.4	8,607.9	5,065.8	13,673.7	10.7	63.0					
June	5,837.0	7,701.3	63.4	776.8	137.4	914.2	8,615.5	5,073.8	13,689.3	10.6	62.9					
July	5,905.4	7,741.6	63.0	793.4	133.0	926.3	8,667.9	5,037.9	13,705.8	10.7	63.2					
August	5,806.0	7,679.3	63.0	765.1	141.3	906.4	8,585.7	5,136.5	13,722.2	10.6	62.6					
September	5,881.6	7,760.6	59.0	765.6	160.6	926.1	8,686.8	5,051.9	13,738.6	10.7	63.2					
October	5,875.7	7,724.9	55.7	747.3	155.2	902.5	8,627.4	5,126.3	13,753.6	10.5	62.7					
November	5,838.8	7,656.6	62.7	759.2	136.1	895.3	8,552.0	5,216.6	13,768.6	10.5	62.1					
December	5,964.9	7,750.1	88.8	827.5	161.1	988.7	8,738.7	5,044.8	13,783.6	11.3	63.4					
Standard error of — December 1992 estimates Nov 92 to Dec 92 movements	22.3	24.4	4.4	11.0	5.7	11.7	25.3	21.1	..	0.1	0.2					
19.3	21.3	4.0	9.2	5.0	9.8	22.3	18.3	..	0.1	0.2						

TABLE 2. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES

Month	Unemployed								Participation rate cent -	
	Employed		Looking for full-time work		Looking for part-time work		Labour force	Unemployment rate - per		
	Full-time workers	Total	Aged 15-19 looking for first job	Total	part-time work	Total				
MALES										
<i>1991 —</i>										
October	4,062.4	4,463.4	29.4	489.9	44.2	534.1	4,997.5	10.7	74.7	
November	4,032.2	4,457.7	35.9	498.7	42.2	540.8	4,998.5	10.8	74.6	
December	4,050.4	4,461.6	32.4	498.0	47.2	545.2	5,006.8	10.9	74.6	
<i>1992 —</i>										
January	4,046.1	4,468.0	30.8	492.8	45.9	538.7	5,006.7	10.8	74.5	
February	4,010.5	4,470.0	34.5	500.2	46.3	546.5	5,016.5	10.9	74.6	
March	4,011.8	4,458.3	37.4	511.4	40.5	551.9	5,010.2	11.0	74.4	
April	4,008.3	4,449.3	36.9	513.4	38.2	551.6	5,000.9	11.0	74.2	
May	3,986.1	4,442.8	42.4	524.2	40.0	564.2	5,006.9	11.3	74.2	
June	3,986.7	4,451.9	44.4	537.6	53.3	590.9	5,042.8	11.7	74.7	
July	4,008.6	4,478.3	40.8	544.3	46.6	590.9	5,069.2	11.7	75.0	
August	3,994.4	4,467.0	40.2	527.3	52.5	579.8	5,046.8	11.5	74.5	
September	3,991.0	4,445.8	37.5	520.8	45.0	565.8	5,011.6	11.3	73.9	
October	3,991.9	4,458.5	39.9	543.1	58.9	602.0	5,060.5	11.9	74.6	
November	3,969.7	4,406.2	38.6	554.7	56.5	611.2	5,017.4	12.2	73.9	
December	3,983.7	4,427.2	28.7	546.0	52.1	598.1	5,025.3	11.9	73.9	
FEMALES										
<i>1991 —</i>										
October	1,925.3	3,214.5	24.5	246.3	90.0	336.3	3,550.8	9.5	51.7	
November	1,876.1	3,197.5	25.0	256.9	96.4	353.3	3,550.9	10.0	51.7	
December	1,901.9	3,225.7	25.2	259.6	102.9	362.5	3,588.2	10.1	52.1	
<i>1992 —</i>										
January	1,917.2	3,249.9	25.1	256.4	99.0	355.4	3,605.3	9.9	52.3	
February	1,909.2	3,235.5	31.3	266.0	95.3	361.3	3,596.7	10.0	52.1	
March	1,891.3	3,232.5	30.4	254.8	93.3	348.2	3,580.6	9.7	51.8	
April	1,871.7	3,223.0	33.4	255.6	79.5	335.1	3,558.2	9.4	51.4	
May	1,877.6	3,220.2	34.6	256.8	84.9	341.7	3,561.9	9.6	51.4	
June	1,870.0	3,239.2	34.9	270.1	102.4	372.5	3,611.7	10.3	52.1	
July	1,883.3	3,270.9	38.5	266.9	101.9	368.7	3,639.6	10.1	52.4	
August	1,867.2	3,264.6	36.7	256.8	110.9	367.7	3,632.3	10.1	52.2	
September	1,871.5	3,242.7	32.2	255.9	105.9	361.8	3,604.5	10.0	51.8	
October	1,868.4	3,256.0	31.8	269.3	108.2	377.5	3,633.5	10.4	52.1	
November	1,874.8	3,230.0	39.7	264.6	104.1	368.6	3,598.6	10.2	51.6	
December	1,894.9	3,233.4	29.9	274.5	106.2	380.6	3,614.0	10.5	51.7	
PERSONS										
<i>1991 —</i>										
October	5,987.7	7,678.0	53.9	736.2	134.2	870.3	8,548.3	10.2	63.1	
November	5,908.4	7,655.2	60.9	755.6	138.6	894.2	8,549.4	10.5	63.0	
December	5,952.3	7,687.3	57.6	757.6	150.1	907.6	8,595.0	10.6	63.2	
<i>1992 —</i>										
January	5,963.3	7,717.9	55.9	749.2	144.9	894.1	8,612.0	10.4	63.3	
February	5,919.7	7,705.5	65.8	766.1	141.6	907.8	8,613.2	10.5	63.2	
March	5,903.1	7,690.8	67.8	766.2	133.9	900.1	8,590.9	10.5	63.0	
April	5,880.0	7,672.3	70.3	769.0	117.7	886.7	8,559.0	10.4	62.7	
May	5,863.7	7,663.0	77.0	780.9	125.0	905.9	8,568.8	10.6	62.7	
June	5,856.8	7,691.1	79.3	807.7	155.7	963.4	8,654.6	11.1	63.2	
July	5,891.9	7,749.2	79.3	811.1	148.5	959.6	8,708.8	11.0	63.5	
August	5,861.6	7,731.6	76.9	784.1	163.4	947.5	8,679.1	10.9	63.2	
September	5,862.5	7,688.4	69.7	776.7	151.0	927.7	8,616.1	10.8	62.7	
October	5,860.3	7,714.5	71.8	812.3	167.1	979.5	8,694.0	11.3	63.2	
November	5,844.6	7,636.1	78.3	819.3	160.6	979.9	8,616.0	11.4	62.6	
December	5,878.6	7,660.6	58.6	820.5	158.2	978.7	8,639.3	11.3	62.7	

TABLE 3. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE: TREND SERIES

Month	Employed	Unemployed						Labour force	Unemployment rate - per cent -	Participation rate cent -			
		Looking for full-time work		Total -'000 -	Total MALES	Looking for part-time work							
		Aged 15-19	looking for first job			Total							
<b>1991 —</b>													
October	4,051.7	4,463.2	31.9	486.8	44.7	531.5	4,994.7	10.6	74.6				
November	4,048.3	4,464.4	32.3	492.8	45.3	538.0	5,002.4	10.8	74.7				
December	4,042.3	4,464.9	32.7	496.3	45.0	541.4	5,006.2	10.8	74.6				
<b>1992 —</b>													
January	4,032.9	4,463.1	33.4	499.3	44.2	543.4	5,006.6	10.9	74.5				
February	4,021.8	4,459.8	34.8	503.5	43.1	546.7	5,006.5	10.9	74.5				
March	4,011.5	4,457.4	36.8	510.0	42.6	552.7	5,010.1	11.0	74.4				
April	4,003.0	4,455.8	38.9	517.6	42.8	560.4	5,016.2	11.2	74.4				
May	3,997.7	4,456.5	40.6	524.5	43.7	568.2	5,024.7	11.3	74.5				
June r	3,995.2	4,458.6	41.6	529.6	45.6	575.2	5,033.8	11.4	74.5				
July r	3,994.5	4,459.8	41.6	532.6	48.1	580.7	5,040.5	11.5	74.5				
August r	3,993.1	4,457.7	40.7	534.6	50.4	585.0	5,042.8	11.6	74.5				
September r	3,990.5	4,451.7	39.3	536.9	52.1	589.0	5,040.7	11.7	74.4				
October r	3,987.1	4,443.0	37.6	539.9	53.4	593.2	5,036.2	11.8	74.2				
November r	3,983.6	4,433.9	35.7	543.2	54.4	597.5	5,031.4	11.9	74.1				
December	3,980.0	4,424.9	34.0	546.0	54.7	600.7	5,025.5	12.0	73.9				
<b>FEMALES</b>													
<b>1991 —</b>													
October	1,910.3	3,219.0	23.3	249.7	96.2	345.9	3,564.9	9.7	51.9				
November	1,908.6	3,222.4	24.3	254.4	97.7	352.1	3,574.5	9.9	52.0				
December	1,905.9	3,226.1	25.7	257.4	97.7	355.1	3,581.2	9.9	52.0				
<b>1992 —</b>													
January	1,901.9	3,228.4	27.3	258.7	96.1	354.8	3,583.2	9.9	52.0				
February	1,897.1	3,229.7	29.2	259.1	93.3	352.5	3,582.1	9.8	51.9				
March	1,891.7	3,231.4	31.2	259.5	90.9	350.4	3,581.8	9.8	51.8				
April	1,885.1	3,233.2	33.2	260.0	90.1	350.1	3,583.4	9.8	51.8				
May	1,878.6	3,237.2	34.7	260.6	91.9	352.5	3,589.7	9.8	51.8				
June r	1,873.3	3,243.4	35.6	261.2	96.0	357.2	3,600.6	9.9	51.9				
July r	1,871.3	3,249.9	35.8	261.7	101.0	362.7	3,612.6	10.0	52.0				
August r	1,871.7	3,253.3	35.5	262.4	104.9	367.3	3,620.5	10.1	52.1				
September r	1,872.9	3,252.1	35.0	263.3	106.9	370.2	3,622.3	10.2	52.0				
October r	1,874.9	3,247.8	34.4	264.6	107.5	372.2	3,620.0	10.3	51.9				
November r	1,877.7	3,242.6	33.8	266.5	107.5	374.0	3,616.6	10.3	51.8				
December	1,881.2	3,236.5	33.2	268.1	106.6	374.7	3,611.1	10.4	51.7				
<b>PERSONS</b>													
<b>1991 —</b>													
October	5,962.0	7,682.2	55.2	736.5	140.9	877.3	8,559.6	10.2	63.1				
November	5,956.8	7,686.7	56.6	747.2	143.0	890.1	8,576.9	10.4	63.2				
December	5,948.3	7,690.9	58.3	753.8	142.7	896.5	8,587.4	10.4	63.2				
<b>1992 —</b>													
January	5,934.8	7,691.5	60.7	758.0	140.3	898.2	8,589.8	10.5	63.1				
February	5,918.8	7,689.5	64.0	762.7	136.5	899.2	8,588.7	10.5	63.0				
March	5,903.2	7,688.8	68.0	769.5	133.5	903.0	8,591.9	10.5	63.0				
April	5,888.1	7,689.0	72.1	777.7	132.9	910.5	8,599.6	10.6	63.0				
May	5,876.3	7,693.6	75.3	785.2	135.6	920.7	8,614.4	10.7	63.0				
June r	5,868.4	7,702.0	77.2	790.8	141.6	932.4	8,634.4	10.8	63.1				
July r	5,865.8	7,709.7	77.4	794.3	149.0	943.4	8,653.1	10.9	63.1				
August r	5,864.8	7,711.0	76.3	797.0	155.3	952.3	8,663.3	11.0	63.1				
September r	5,863.4	7,703.7	74.3	800.2	159.0	959.2	8,663.0	11.1	63.1				
October r	5,862.0	7,690.8	72.0	804.5	160.9	965.4	8,656.2	11.2	62.9				
November r	5,861.3	7,676.5	69.5	809.7	161.8	971.5	8,648.1	11.2	62.8				
December	5,861.2	7,661.3	67.2	814.1	161.2	975.3	8,636.7	11.3	62.7				

TABLE 4. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS: AUSTRALIA

Month	Number looking for full-time work				Number looking for part- time work	Total	Unemployment rate					
	Aged 15-19		Aged 20 and over				Looking for full-time work		Looking for part-time work			
	Looking for first job	Total	Aged 20 and over	Total '000 -			Aged 15-19	Aged 20 and over - per	Total cent -	Aged 15-19		
MALES												
<i>1991 —</i>												
October	22.4	56.5	397.5	453.9	40.5	494.5	24.4	9.2	10.0	9.2		
November	31.4	62.5	404.3	466.8	33.3	500.1	27.3	9.5	10.4	7.1		
December	49.2	80.6	422.6	503.2	54.5	557.7	30.3	9.7	10.9	11.7		
<i>1992 —</i>												
January	50.6	88.6	452.3	540.9	50.1	591.0	33.4	10.5	11.8	11.1		
February	43.9	79.1	463.8	542.9	52.2	595.1	32.5	10.7	11.9	10.7		
March	36.6	70.5	450.1	520.7	49.1	569.8	30.9	10.5	11.5	9.7		
April	31.9	61.9	444.8	506.7	42.3	549.0	28.2	10.4	11.2	8.5		
May	35.7	67.8	459.5	527.3	41.7	569.0	30.0	10.7	11.7	8.2		
June	32.6	66.4	451.4	517.8	42.7	560.5	30.8	10.5	11.5	8.3		
July	32.1	69.1	465.1	534.1	42.1	576.3	30.3	10.8	11.7	8.4		
August	33.6	67.4	453.7	521.0	43.4	564.4	31.2	10.6	11.6	8.5		
September	33.2	65.7	454.5	520.2	46.5	566.7	31.2	10.5	11.5	9.0		
October	30.4	58.3	444.8	503.0	54.0	557.1	28.2	10.3	11.2	10.4		
November	33.8	60.5	459.2	519.7	44.6	564.2	29.5	10.7	11.6	9.1		
December	43.5	70.3	478.2	548.5	60.2	608.7	30.1	11.0	12.0	12.0		
Standard error of —												
December 1992 estimates	3.2	3.9	8.8	9.3	3.7	9.7	1.7	0.2	0.2	0.7		
Nov 92 to Dec 92 movements	3.1	3.7	7.5	7.9	3.5	8.2	1.6	0.2	0.2	0.7		
FEMALES												
<i>1991 —</i>												
October	19.5	44.8	178.2	223.0	84.1	307.1	27.8	9.0	10.4	6.1		
November	18.2	43.7	188.8	232.5	84.9	317.4	29.8	9.6	11.0	6.0		
December	38.2	66.3	198.5	264.8	97.9	362.7	35.7	9.8	12.0	6.9		
<i>1992 —</i>												
January	40.1	66.2	214.2	280.4	88.3	368.7	36.8	10.6	12.7	6.7		
February	40.3	67.9	230.0	297.9	104.7	402.6	40.3	11.3	13.5	7.5		
March	30.4	54.5	210.6	265.2	114.2	379.3	36.2	10.5	12.3	7.8		
April	30.2	54.7	212.4	267.2	94.7	361.9	36.6	10.7	12.5	6.5		
May	30.6	57.1	205.1	262.2	89.3	351.5	38.8	10.3	12.3	6.1		
June	30.9	57.2	201.9	259.0	94.7	353.7	38.7	10.3	12.3	6.4		
July	31.0	57.0	202.3	259.2	90.8	350.1	36.4	10.2	12.1	6.2		
August	29.3	50.6	193.4	244.0	97.9	342.0	36.5	9.9	11.7	6.5		
September	25.8	43.1	202.3	245.3	114.1	359.4	31.2	10.2	11.5	7.5		
October	25.3	42.2	202.0	244.2	101.2	345.4	30.5	10.2	11.5	6.8		
November	28.9	45.3	194.3	239.5	91.6	331.1	32.9	9.8	11.3	6.3		
December	45.3	66.4	212.6	279.0	101.0	380.0	38.9	10.4	12.6	7.0		
Standard error of —												
December 1992 estimates	3.2	3.8	6.4	7.1	4.6	8.1	2.3	0.3	0.3	0.2		
Nov 92 to Dec 92 movements	3.1	3.6	5.5	6.1	4.2	6.9	2.1	0.3	0.3	0.2		
PERSONS												
<i>1991 —</i>												
October	41.9	101.3	575.6	676.9	124.6	801.6	25.8	9.2	10.1	6.9		
November	49.6	106.2	593.2	699.3	118.2	817.5	28.3	9.5	10.6	6.2		
December	87.3	146.9	621.0	767.9	152.4	920.4	32.5	9.8	11.3	8.1		
<i>1992 —</i>												
January	90.7	154.8	666.5	821.3	138.4	959.7	34.8	10.5	12.1	7.8		
February	84.2	147.0	693.7	840.8	156.9	997.7	35.7	10.9	12.4	8.3		
March	67.0	125.0	660.8	785.8	163.3	949.1	33.0	10.5	11.8	8.3		
April	62.2	116.7	657.2	773.8	137.0	910.9	31.6	10.5	11.7	7.0		
May	66.2	124.9	664.6	789.5	130.9	920.4	33.5	10.6	11.9	6.7		
June	63.4	123.6	653.3	776.8	137.4	914.2	34.0	10.5	11.7	6.9		
July	63.0	126.0	667.4	793.4	133.0	926.3	32.8	10.6	11.8	6.8		
August	63.0	118.0	647.1	765.1	141.3	906.4	33.3	10.4	11.6	7.0		
September	59.0	108.8	656.8	765.6	160.6	926.1	31.2	10.4	11.5	7.9		
October	55.7	100.5	646.8	747.3	155.2	902.5	29.2	10.3	11.3	7.7		
November	62.7	105.7	653.5	759.2	136.1	895.3	30.9	10.4	11.5	7.0		
December	88.8	136.7	690.8	827.5	161.1	988.7	33.8	10.8	12.2	8.3		
Standard error of —												
December 1992 estimates	4.4	5.3	10.2	11.0	5.7	11.7	1.3	0.2	0.2	0.3		
Nov 92 to Dec 92 movements	4.0	4.7	8.6	9.2	5.0	9.8	1.2	0.1	0.1	0.3		

TABLE 5. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES

Month	Number looking for full-time work				Number looking for part-time work Total	Unemployment rate				Looking for part-time work Total		
	Aged 15-19		Aged 20 and over			Looking for full-time work		Total	- per cent -			
	Looking for first job	Total	Aged 20 and over	Total		Aged 15-19	Aged 20 and over					
MALES												
<i>1991 —</i>												
October	29.4	66.0	423.9	489.9	44.2	534.1	27.1	9.8	10.8	9.9		
November	35.9	70.2	428.5	498.7	42.2	540.8	28.5	10.0	11.0	9.0		
December	32.4	66.0	432.0	498.0	47.2	545.2	27.4	10.0	10.9	10.3		
<i>1992 —</i>												
January	30.8	66.1	426.7	492.8	45.9	538.7	28.6	9.9	10.9	9.8		
February	34.5	68.5	431.6	500.2	46.3	546.5	30.4	10.1	11.1	9.2		
March	37.4	73.5	437.9	511.4	40.5	551.9	31.9	10.2	11.3	8.3		
April	36.9	66.1	447.3	513.4	38.2	551.6	29.4	10.4	11.4	8.0		
May	42.4	72.5	451.6	524.2	40.0	564.2	30.8	10.6	11.6	8.1		
June	44.4	73.5	464.1	537.6	53.3	590.9	32.5	10.8	11.9	10.3		
July	40.8	75.2	469.1	544.3	46.6	590.9	32.5	10.9	12.0	9.0		
August	40.2	71.2	456.1	527.3	52.5	579.8	31.4	10.6	11.7	10.0		
September	37.5	70.2	450.6	520.8	45.0	565.8	32.0	10.5	11.5	9.0		
October	39.9	68.2	474.9	543.1	58.9	602.0	31.2	11.0	12.0	11.2		
November	38.6	67.8	486.9	554.7	56.5	611.2	30.7	11.3	12.3	11.5		
December	28.7	57.6	488.4	546.0	52.1	598.1	27.3	11.3	12.1	10.5		
FEMALES												
<i>1991 —</i>												
October	24.5	52.4	193.9	246.3	90.0	336.3	30.2	9.7	11.3	6.5		
November	25.0	53.5	203.4	256.9	96.4	353.3	33.5	10.3	12.0	6.8		
December	25.2	52.7	206.8	259.6	102.9	362.5	32.3	10.4	12.0	7.2		
<i>1992 —</i>												
January	25.1	52.5	203.9	256.4	99.0	355.4	33.3	10.1	11.8	6.9		
February	31.3	56.2	209.8	266.0	95.3	361.3	36.0	10.4	12.2	6.7		
March	30.4	55.0	199.8	254.8	93.3	348.2	36.1	10.0	11.9	6.5		
April	33.4	57.3	198.3	255.6	79.5	335.1	37.7	10.0	12.0	5.6		
May	34.6	58.6	198.2	256.8	84.9	341.7	39.3	10.0	12.0	5.9		
June	34.9	62.8	207.3	270.1	102.4	372.5	40.5	10.4	12.6	7.0		
July	38.5	61.1	205.8	266.9	101.9	368.7	38.6	10.3	12.4	6.8		
August	36.7	56.7	200.1	256.8	110.9	367.7	38.0	10.1	12.1	7.4		
September	32.2	45.8	210.1	255.9	105.9	361.8	31.6	10.6	12.0	7.2		
October	31.8	49.3	220.0	269.3	108.2	377.5	33.0	11.1	12.6	7.2		
November	39.7	55.4	209.2	264.6	104.1	368.6	36.7	10.5	12.4	7.1		
December	29.9	52.8	221.6	274.5	106.2	380.6	35.4	11.0	12.7	7.4		
PERSONS												
<i>1991 —</i>												
October	53.9	118.3	617.9	736.2	134.2	870.3	28.4	9.8	10.9	7.4		
November	60.9	123.6	631.9	755.6	138.6	894.2	30.5	10.1	11.3	7.4		
December	57.6	118.7	638.8	757.6	150.1	907.6	29.4	10.1	11.3	8.0		
<i>1992 —</i>												
January	55.9	118.6	630.6	749.2	144.9	894.1	30.5	10.0	11.2	7.6		
February	65.8	124.7	641.4	766.1	141.6	907.8	32.7	10.2	11.5	7.3		
March	67.8	128.5	637.7	766.2	133.9	900.1	33.6	10.1	11.5	7.0		
April	70.3	123.4	645.7	769.0	117.7	886.7	32.7	10.3	11.6	6.2		
May	77.0	131.1	649.8	780.9	125.0	905.9	34.1	10.4	11.8	6.5		
June	79.3	136.3	671.4	807.7	155.7	963.4	35.8	10.7	12.1	7.8		
July	79.3	136.3	674.9	811.1	148.5	959.6	34.9	10.7	12.1	7.4		
August	76.9	127.9	656.2	784.1	163.4	947.5	34.0	10.5	11.8	8.0		
September	69.7	116.0	660.7	776.7	151.0	927.7	31.8	10.5	11.7	7.6		
October	71.8	117.5	694.9	812.3	167.1	979.5	31.9	11.0	12.2	8.3		
November	78.3	123.2	696.1	819.3	160.6	979.9	33.2	11.1	12.3	8.2		
December	58.6	110.4	710.1	820.5	158.2	978.7	30.6	11.2	12.2	8.2		

TABLE 6. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS: TREND SERIES

Month	Number looking for full-time work				Number looking for part- time work	Total	Unemployment rate						
	Aged 15-19		Looking for full-time work				Aged 15-19	Aged 20 and over	Total	Looking for part-time work	Total		
	Looking for first job	Total	Aged 20 and over	Total '000 -			- per cent -	Total	Aged 15-19	Aged 20 and over	Total		
MALES													
<i>1991 —</i>													
October	31.9	67.0	419.8	486.8	44.7	531.5	27.6	9.8	10.7	9.8	10.6		
November	32.3	67.2	425.5	492.8	45.3	538.0	27.9	9.9	10.9	9.8	10.8		
December	32.7	67.5	428.8	496.3	45.0	541.4	28.4	10.0	10.9	9.6	10.8		
<i>1992 —</i>													
January	33.4	67.9	431.4	499.3	44.2	543.4	29.0	10.0	11.0	9.3	10.9		
February	34.8	68.6	435.0	503.5	43.1	546.7	29.7	10.1	11.1	9.0	10.9		
March	36.8	69.6	440.4	510.0	42.6	552.7	30.4	10.3	11.3	8.7	11.0		
April	38.9	70.8	446.8	517.6	42.8	560.4	31.0	10.4	11.5	8.6	11.2		
May	40.6	72.0	452.6	524.5	43.7	568.2	31.4	10.5	11.6	8.7	11.3		
June r	41.6	72.8	456.8	529.6	45.6	575.2	31.8	10.6	11.7	9.0	11.4		
July r	41.6	72.8	459.9	532.6	48.1	580.7	32.0	10.7	11.8	9.4	11.5		
August r	40.7	71.9	462.8	534.6	50.4	585.0	31.9	10.8	11.8	9.8	11.6		
September r	39.3	70.1	466.8	536.9	52.1	589.0	31.5	10.8	11.9	10.2	11.7		
October r	37.6	67.8	472.0	539.9	53.4	593.2	30.9	11.0	11.9	10.5	11.8		
November r	35.7	65.3	477.8	543.2	54.4	597.5	30.1	11.1	12.0	10.8	11.9		
December	34.0	63.0	483.0	546.0	54.7	600.7	29.3	11.2	12.1	10.9	12.0		
FEMALES													
<i>1991 —</i>													
October	23.3	51.8	197.9	249.7	96.2	345.9	31.0	9.9	11.6	6.8	9.7		
November	24.3	52.4	202.0	254.4	97.7	352.1	31.8	10.1	11.8	6.9	9.9		
December	25.7	53.1	204.4	257.4	97.7	355.1	32.8	10.2	11.9	6.9	9.9		
<i>1992 —</i>													
January	27.3	53.8	204.9	258.7	96.1	354.8	34.0	10.2	12.0	6.8	9.9		
February	29.2	54.9	204.2	259.1	93.3	352.5	35.4	10.2	12.0	6.5	9.8		
March	31.2	56.6	202.9	259.5	90.9	350.4	36.8	10.2	12.1	6.4	9.8		
April	33.2	58.3	201.7	260.0	90.1	350.1	38.2	10.1	12.1	6.3	9.8		
May	34.7	59.4	201.3	260.6	91.9	352.5	38.9	10.1	12.2	6.3	9.8		
June r	35.6	59.1	202.1	261.2	96.0	357.2	38.8	10.2	12.2	6.6	9.9		
July r	35.8	57.6	204.1	261.7	101.0	362.7	37.9	10.3	12.3	6.8	10.0		
August r	35.5	55.4	207.0	262.4	104.9	367.3	36.7	10.4	12.3	7.1	10.1		
September r	35.0	53.4	209.9	263.3	106.9	370.2	35.6	10.6	12.3	7.2	10.2		
October r	34.4	52.0	212.7	264.6	107.5	372.2	34.8	10.7	12.4	7.3	10.3		
November r	33.8	51.1	215.4	266.5	107.5	374.0	34.4	10.8	12.4	7.3	10.3		
December	33.2	50.7	217.4	268.1	106.6	374.7	34.2	10.9	12.5	7.3	10.4		
PERSONS													
<i>1991 —</i>													
October	55.2	118.8	617.7	736.5	140.9	877.3	29.0	9.8	11.0	7.6	10.2		
November	56.6	119.7	627.5	747.2	143.0	890.1	29.5	10.0	11.1	7.6	10.4		
December	58.3	120.6	633.2	753.8	142.7	896.5	30.2	10.0	11.2	7.6	10.4		
<i>1992 —</i>													
January	60.7	121.7	636.3	758.0	140.3	898.2	31.0	10.1	11.3	7.4	10.5		
February	64.0	123.5	639.2	762.7	136.5	899.2	32.0	10.2	11.4	7.2	10.5		
March	68.0	126.2	643.4	769.5	133.5	903.0	33.0	10.2	11.5	7.0	10.5		
April	72.1	129.2	648.5	777.7	132.9	910.5	33.9	10.3	11.7	6.9	10.6		
May	75.3	131.3	653.8	785.2	135.6	920.7	34.4	10.4	11.8	6.9	10.7		
June r	77.2	131.9	658.9	790.8	141.6	932.4	34.6	10.5	11.9	7.2	10.8		
July r	77.4	130.3	664.0	794.3	149.0	943.4	34.3	10.6	11.9	7.5	10.9		
August r	76.3	127.3	669.7	797.0	155.3	952.3	33.8	10.7	12.0	7.8	11.0		
September r	74.3	123.5	676.7	800.2	159.0	959.2	33.1	10.8	12.0	8.0	11.1		
October r	72.0	119.8	684.7	804.5	160.9	965.4	32.5	10.9	12.1	8.1	11.2		
November r	69.5	116.5	693.2	809.7	161.8	971.5	31.8	11.0	12.1	8.2	11.2		
December	67.2	113.7	700.5	814.1	161.2	975.3	31.3	11.1	12.2	8.2	11.3		

**TABLE 7. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 TO 19: FULL -TIME ATTENDANCE  
AT SCHOOL OR A TERTIARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION, DECEMBER 1992**

	<u>Employed</u>		<u>Unemployed</u>			Labour force	Not in labour force	Civilian population aged 15-19	Unemployment rate -per cent -	Participation rate
	<u>Full-time workers</u>	Total	<u>Looking for full-time work</u>	<u>Looking for part-time work</u>	Total					
			'000							
<b>ATTENDING NEITHER SCHOOL NOR A TERTIARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION FULL TIME</b>										
Males	150.1	195.2	60.1	8.1	68.2	263.4	46.2	309.6	25.9	85.1
Females	94.5	167.3	55.6	6.6	62.2	229.4	56.5	285.9	27.1	80.2
<i>Persons</i>	<b>244.6</b>	<b>362.5</b>	<b>115.8</b>	<b>14.6</b>	<b>130.4</b>	<b>492.9</b>	<b>102.6</b>	<b>595.5</b>	<b>26.5</b>	<b>82.8</b>
<b>ATTENDING A TERTIARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION FULL TIME</b>										
Males	8.1	23.9	* 2.4	7.9	10.3	34.3	21.2	55.5	30.2	61.7
Females	6.0	33.1	5.7	5.0	10.7	43.7	22.5	66.2	24.4	66.0
<i>Persons</i>	<b>14.1</b>	<b>57.0</b>	<b>8.1</b>	<b>12.9</b>	<b>21.0</b>	<b>78.0</b>	<b>43.8</b>	<b>121.7</b>	<b>26.9</b>	<b>64.1</b>
<b>ATTENDING SCHOOL</b>										
Males	5.1	67.2	7.7	21.8	29.6	96.8	204.6	301.4	30.6	32.1
Females	* 3.9	89.4	5.1	20.9	26.0	115.4	169.6	285.0	22.5	40.5
<i>Persons</i>	<b>8.9</b>	<b>156.6</b>	<b>12.8</b>	<b>42.7</b>	<b>55.5</b>	<b>212.2</b>	<b>374.3</b>	<b>586.4</b>	<b>26.2</b>	<b>36.2</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>										
Males	163.3	286.3	70.3	37.8	108.1	394.5	272.0	666.5	27.4	59.2
Females	104.4	289.7	66.4	32.4	98.8	388.5	248.6	637.2	25.4	61.0
<i>Persons</i>	<b>267.6</b>	<b>576.1</b>	<b>136.7</b>	<b>70.2</b>	<b>206.9</b>	<b>783.0</b>	<b>520.7</b>	<b>1,303.7</b>	<b>26.4</b>	<b>60.1</b>

**TABLE 8. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER,  
STATES AND TERRITORIES, DECEMBER 1992**

State or Territory	<u>Employed</u>		<u>Unemployed</u>			Labour force	Not in labour force	Civilian population aged 15 and over	Unemployment rate - per cent -	Participation rate
	<u>Full-time workers</u>	Total	<u>Looking for full-time work</u>	<u>Looking for part-time work</u>	Total					
			'000							
<b>MALES</b>										
New South Wales	1,337.6	1,482.7	193.2	15.8	209.0	1,691.7	610.8	2,302.5	12.4	73.5
Victoria	1,021.0	1,135.9	139.4	17.9	157.4	1,293.2	435.9	1,729.1	12.2	74.8
Queensland	717.1	796.8	87.5	12.5	100.0	896.8	283.8	1,180.6	11.1	76.0
South Australia	334.6	371.6	51.3	4.9	56.2	427.8	149.6	577.4	13.1	74.1
Western Australia	406.2	448.8	50.2	6.0	56.2	504.9	155.5	660.4	11.1	76.5
Tasmania	99.5	110.5	17.6	1.5	19.0	129.5	47.8	177.3	14.7	73.1
Northern Territory	35.8	39.4	4.3	* 0.5	4.8	44.2	14.7	58.9	10.8	75.0
Australian Capital Territory	78.0	86.7	5.1	1.1	6.2	92.9	19.9	112.8	6.7	82.3
<i>Australia</i>	<b>4,029.9</b>	<b>4,472.3</b>	<b>548.5</b>	<b>60.2</b>	<b>608.7</b>	<b>5,081.0</b>	<b>1,718.0</b>	<b>6,799.0</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>74.7</b>
<b>FEMALES</b>										
New South Wales	669.5	1,079.0	87.7	27.8	115.6	1,194.6	1,183.5	2,378.1	9.7	50.2
Victoria	496.2	839.3	80.3	27.5	107.8	947.1	848.1	1,795.2	11.4	52.8
Queensland	332.9	578.1	47.5	20.5	68.0	646.0	557.7	1,203.7	10.5	53.7
South Australia	148.2	274.5	24.8	7.8	32.7	307.2	286.5	593.7	10.6	51.7
Western Australia	177.7	321.6	26.7	11.4	38.1	359.7	300.0	659.7	10.6	54.5
Tasmania	40.5	80.9	6.5	3.4	9.9	90.8	92.1	182.9	10.9	49.6
Northern Territory	22.0	31.0	2.1	* 1.0	3.0	34.1	21.6	55.6	8.9	61.3
Australian Capital Territory	48.1	73.3	3.4	1.6	5.0	78.3	37.3	115.6	6.3	67.7
<i>Australia</i>	<b>1,935.0</b>	<b>3,277.8</b>	<b>279.0</b>	<b>101.0</b>	<b>380.0</b>	<b>3,657.8</b>	<b>3,326.8</b>	<b>6,984.6</b>	<b>10.4</b>	<b>52.4</b>
<b>PERSONS</b>										
New South Wales	2,007.2	2,561.7	280.9	43.6	324.5	2,886.3	1,794.4	4,680.6	11.2	61.7
Victoria	1,517.2	1,975.2	219.7	45.4	265.1	2,240.3	1,284.0	3,524.4	11.8	63.6
Queensland	1,050.0	1,374.9	135.0	33.0	167.9	1,542.8	841.5	2,384.3	10.9	64.7
South Australia	482.8	646.1	76.2	12.8	88.9	735.0	436.1	1,171.1	12.1	62.8
Western Australia	583.8	770.4	76.9	17.4	94.3	864.6	455.4	1,320.1	10.9	65.5
Tasmania	140.1	191.4	24.1	4.9	28.9	220.3	139.9	360.2	13.1	61.2
Northern Territory	57.8	70.4	6.3	1.5	7.8	78.2	36.3	114.5	10.0	68.3
Australian Capital Territory	126.1	160.0	8.5	2.7	11.1	171.1	57.3	228.4	6.5	74.9
<i>Australia</i>	<b>5,964.9</b>	<b>7,750.1</b>	<b>827.5</b>	<b>161.1</b>	<b>988.7</b>	<b>8,738.7</b>	<b>5,044.8</b>	<b>13,783.6</b>	<b>11.3</b>	<b>63.4</b>

TABLE 9. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS, STATES AND TERRITORIES

Month	Number looking for full-time work			Number looking for part- time work	Total	Unemployment rate						
	Aged 15-19		Total - '000 -			Looking for full-time work		Looking for part-time work		Looking for part-time work		
	Looking for first job	Aged 20 and over				Aged 15-19	Aged 20 and over	Total	- per cent -			
NEW SOUTH WALES												
1991 — December	29.6	46.7	201.0	247.7	46.6	294.3	31.3	9.3	10.8	7.8	10.2	
1992 — November	20.1	32.3	214.8	247.1	42.1	289.2	28.7	10.3	11.3	6.8	10.3	
December	29.0	44.1	236.8	280.9	43.6	324.5	32.9	11.0	12.3	7.3	11.2	
Standard error of —												
Dec 92 estimates	2.8	3.4	6.6	7.1	3.4	7.5	2.5	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.3	
Nov 92 to Dec 92 movements	2.6	3.1	5.7	6.0	3.1	6.4	2.3	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.2	
VICTORIA												
1991 — December	21.5	35.4	175.5	210.8	44.6	255.4	35.7	10.5	11.9	9.2	11.3	
1992 — November	17.0	26.3	183.7	210.0	38.3	248.4	35.5	11.3	12.4	7.6	11.3	
December	24.8	33.5	186.2	219.7	45.4	265.1	39.0	11.3	12.6	9.0	11.8	
Standard error of —												
Dec 92 estimates	2.5	2.8	5.6	6.0	3.2	6.4	3.3	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.3	
Nov 92 to Dec 92 movements	2.1	2.4	4.5	4.8	2.7	5.1	2.8	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.2	
QUEENSLAND												
1991 — December	16.9	28.1	96.6	124.7	26.3	151.0	30.5	9.0	10.7	7.9	10.1	
1992 — November	9.5	18.9	107.5	126.4	25.7	152.0	27.2	9.9	11.0	7.2	10.1	
December	13.4	24.9	110.1	135.0	33.0	167.9	29.6	10.0	11.4	9.2	10.9	
Standard error of —												
Dec 92 estimates	1.6	2.1	3.9	4.2	2.4	4.6	2.5	0.4	0.4	0.7	0.3	
Nov 92 to Dec 92 movements	1.6	1.9	3.2	3.5	2.1	3.7	2.3	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.2	
SOUTH AUSTRALIA												
1991 — December	6.6	13.4	57.0	70.3	13.1	83.4	37.5	11.0	12.7	7.4	11.4	
1992 — November	8.2	12.6	60.3	72.8	10.3	83.1	41.8	11.6	13.3	5.8	11.4	
December	8.5	13.1	63.0	76.2	12.8	88.9	39.0	12.0	13.6	7.2	12.1	
Standard error of —												
Dec 92 estimates	1.1	1.3	2.4	2.6	1.3	2.8	3.8	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.4	
Nov 92 to Dec 92 movements	0.9	1.0	1.9	2.0	1.0	2.1	3.3	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.3	
WESTERN AUSTRALIA												
1991 — December	7.2	14.9	62.3	77.2	13.7	90.9	29.5	10.2	11.7	6.9	10.6	
1992 — November	4.3	9.4	58.3	67.8	12.4	80.2	24.4	9.6	10.4	6.5	9.5	
December	7.4	12.5	64.4	76.9	17.4	94.3	27.9	10.5	11.6	8.5	10.9	
Standard error of —												
Dec 92 estimates	1.1	1.4	2.7	2.9	1.6	3.1	3.1	0.4	0.4	0.8	0.4	
Nov 92 to Dec 92 movements	1.0	1.2	2.2	2.4	1.4	2.5	2.8	0.4	0.4	0.7	0.3	
TASMANIA												
1991 — December	3.9	5.1	16.6	21.8	3.6	25.4	35.8	10.8	13.0	6.9	11.5	
1992 — November	1.8	3.2	18.0	21.2	3.0	24.2	32.6	12.0	13.3	5.3	11.3	
December	3.0	4.9	19.1	24.1	4.9	28.9	40.2	12.6	14.7	8.7	13.1	
Standard error of —												
Dec 92 estimates	0.5	0.6	0.9	1.0	0.6	1.1	4.7	0.6	0.6	1.0	0.5	
Nov 92 to Dec 92 movements	0.4	0.5	0.8	0.9	0.5	0.9	3.9	0.5	0.5	0.8	0.4	
NORTHERN TERRITORY												
1991 — December	*0.7	*1.6	6.2	7.7	*0.3	8.0	*31.9	10.2	11.8	*2.1	10.1	
1992 — November	*0.3	*0.8	5.1	5.9	1.8	7.7	*28.8	8.2	9.1	12.7	9.7	
December	*0.7	*0.8	5.5	6.3	1.5	7.8	*26.3	9.1	9.9	10.6	10.0	
Standard error of —												
Dec 92 estimates	0.2	0.3	0.6	0.7	0.3	0.7	8.7	1.0	1.0	2.5	0.9	
Nov 92 to Dec 92 movements	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.5	7.0	0.7	0.7	2.0	0.7	
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY												
1991 — December	*0.9	1.7	5.9	7.7	4.3	12.0	29.4	4.9	6.1	11.7	7.4	
1992 — November	1.5	2.2	5.7	7.9	2.6	10.5	46.3	4.6	6.2	6.7	6.3	
December	1.9	2.8	5.6	8.5	2.7	11.1	43.3	4.4	6.3	7.3	6.5	
Standard error of —												
Dec 92 estimates	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.7	5.9	0.4	0.4	1.0	0.4	
Nov 92 to Dec 92 movements	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.6	5.7	0.4	0.4	0.9	0.3	

TABLE 10. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE, STATES: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES

Month	Males					Females					Persons				
	Employed	Unemp- loyed -'000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate - per cent -	Employed	Unemp- loyed -'000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate - per cent -	Employed	Unemp- loyed -'000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate - per cent -
	NEW SOUTH WALES														
<i>1991—</i>															
October	1,507.7	170.2	1,677.9	10.1	73.9	1,065.6	109.7	1,175.3	9.3	50.2	2,573.2	279.9	2,853.2	9.8	61.8
November	1,512.0	169.7	1,681.7	10.1	73.9	1,059.3	118.0	1,177.2	10.0	50.2	2,571.3	287.6	2,858.9	10.1	61.9
December	1,505.9	175.4	1,681.3	10.4	73.8	1,066.9	119.9	1,186.8	10.1	50.5	2,572.8	295.3	2,868.1	10.3	62.0
<i>1992—</i>															
January	1,504.8	170.9	1,675.7	10.2	73.5	1,079.5	112.0	1,191.5	9.4	50.7	2,584.3	282.9	2,867.2	9.9	61.9
February	1,511.1	170.9	1,682.0	10.2	73.7	1,078.9	115.4	1,194.2	9.7	50.7	2,590.0	286.2	2,876.3	10.0	62.0
March	1,517.5	163.6	1,681.0	9.7	73.6	1,084.8	106.2	1,191.0	8.9	50.5	2,602.2	269.8	2,872.0	9.4	61.9
April	1,509.3	171.0	1,680.4	10.2	73.5	1,090.2	107.4	1,197.6	9.0	50.8	2,599.5	278.4	2,877.9	9.7	62.0
May	1,502.9	174.2	1,677.1	10.4	73.3	1,087.5	104.7	1,192.2	8.8	50.5	2,590.4	278.9	2,869.3	9.7	61.7
June	1,497.4	187.3	1,684.7	11.1	73.6	1,090.4	113.8	1,204.2	9.4	50.9	2,587.8	301.1	2,888.9	10.4	62.1
July	1,502.8	188.1	1,690.8	11.1	73.8	1,095.3	113.0	1,208.3	9.4	51.0	2,598.0	301.0	2,899.1	10.4	62.2
August	1,493.4	194.1	1,687.4	11.5	73.6	1,098.5	120.7	1,219.2	9.9	51.5	2,591.8	314.8	2,906.6	10.8	62.3
September	1,484.9	185.6	1,670.5	11.1	72.8	1,094.3	114.6	1,208.9	9.5	51.0	2,579.2	300.3	2,879.4	10.4	61.7
October	1,487.7	205.5	1,693.2	12.1	73.7	1,087.8	128.1	1,215.8	10.5	51.2	2,575.4	333.6	2,909.0	11.5	62.3
November	1,454.8	199.9	1,654.7	12.1	71.9	1,061.9	113.7	1,175.6	9.7	49.5	2,516.7	313.6	2,830.3	11.1	60.5
December	1,467.8	209.2	1,677.0	12.5	72.8	1,062.3	116.3	1,178.6	9.9	49.6	2,530.1	325.5	2,855.6	11.4	61.0
<i>VICTORIA</i>															
<i>1991—</i>															
October	1,137.1	140.0	1,277.0	11.0	74.6	847.2	91.4	938.7	9.7	52.9	1,984.3	231.4	2,215.7	10.4	63.5
November	1,126.6	146.2	1,272.8	11.5	74.3	841.0	94.9	935.9	10.1	52.7	1,967.6	241.1	2,208.7	10.9	63.3
December	1,132.9	143.5	1,276.4	11.2	74.4	844.6	101.4	946.0	10.7	53.2	1,977.5	244.9	2,222.4	11.0	63.6
<i>1992—</i>															
January	1,136.8	143.8	1,280.6	11.2	74.6	846.4	100.9	947.4	10.7	53.2	1,983.3	244.8	2,228.0	11.0	63.7
February	1,124.2	147.8	1,272.0	11.6	74.0	833.9	96.7	930.6	10.4	52.3	1,958.1	244.5	2,202.6	11.1	63.0
March	1,124.7	157.9	1,282.6	12.3	74.6	826.5	98.0	924.5	10.6	51.9	1,951.2	255.9	2,207.0	11.6	63.0
April	1,121.0	148.0	1,269.0	11.7	73.8	818.1	95.9	914.0	10.5	51.2	1,939.1	243.9	2,183.0	11.2	62.3
May	1,120.8	157.1	1,277.9	12.3	74.2	817.6	101.8	919.4	11.1	51.5	1,938.4	258.9	2,197.3	11.8	62.7
June	1,134.9	157.9	1,292.8	12.2	75.1	827.4	107.2	934.5	11.5	52.3	1,962.3	265.1	2,227.3	11.9	63.5
July	1,134.9	165.0	1,299.9	12.7	75.4	838.4	102.7	941.0	10.9	52.6	1,973.3	267.7	2,241.0	11.9	63.8
August	1,132.8	157.3	1,290.0	12.2	74.8	829.1	99.4	928.6	10.7	51.9	1,961.9	256.7	2,218.6	11.6	63.1
September	1,134.2	149.2	1,283.4	11.6	74.3	812.7	98.2	910.9	10.8	50.8	1,946.9	247.4	2,194.3	11.3	62.4
October	1,128.1	160.4	1,288.5	12.4	74.6	825.7	100.8	926.5	10.9	51.7	1,953.8	261.2	2,215.0	11.8	62.9
November	1,121.6	167.1	1,288.8	13.0	74.6	835.1	101.7	936.8	10.9	52.2	1,956.8	268.8	2,225.6	12.1	63.2
December	1,127.5	146.4	1,273.9	11.5	73.7	825.6	108.3	933.9	11.6	52.0	1,953.1	254.7	2,207.8	11.5	62.6

TABLE 10. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE, STATES: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES—continued

Month	Males				Females				Persons			
	Employed	Unemp- loyed -'000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Employed	Unemp- loyed -'000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Employed	Unemp- loyed -'000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -
	QUEENSLAND											
<i>1991—</i>												
October	777.9	86.4	864.3	10.0	75.4	543.2	56.1	599.4	9.4	51.4	1,321.1	142.6
November	775.4	87.7	863.1	10.2	75.2	542.0	58.1	600.2	9.7	51.3	1,317.4	145.9
December	776.1	92.4	868.6	10.6	75.5	554.8	54.9	609.7	9.0	52.0	1,330.9	147.4
<i>1992—</i>												
January	772.1	90.6	862.7	10.5	74.8	559.7	59.9	619.6	9.7	52.8	1,331.9	150.5
February	776.1	90.7	866.7	10.5	75.0	562.0	65.0	627.0	10.4	53.3	1,338.1	155.6
March	772.3	89.1	861.5	10.3	74.4	556.2	58.8	615.0	9.6	52.1	1,328.5	147.9
April	774.9	86.3	861.2	10.0	74.2	558.7	57.5	616.2	9.3	52.1	1,333.6	143.8
May	766.5	95.6	862.0	11.1	74.1	556.2	57.8	613.9	9.4	51.8	1,322.7	153.3
June	771.2	101.4	872.6	11.6	74.8	557.7	64.4	622.1	10.4	52.4	1,328.9	165.8
July	782.1	104.2	886.3	11.8	75.9	564.3	65.3	629.6	10.4	52.9	1,346.4	169.5
August	782.9	92.0	874.9	10.5	74.7	569.4	59.7	629.0	9.5	52.7	1,352.3	151.7
September	782.1	97.5	879.6	11.1	75.0	574.1	63.1	637.2	9.9	53.3	1,356.1	160.7
October	783.8	95.6	879.4	10.9	74.8	577.2	62.9	640.0	9.8	53.4	1,360.9	158.5
November	781.1	105.9	887.0	11.9	75.3	568.7	66.4	635.2	10.5	52.9	1,349.8	172.4
December	785.9	98.4	884.3	11.1	74.9	572.7	65.4	638.1	10.2	53.0	1,358.6	163.8
<i>SOUTH AUSTRALIA</i>												
<i>1991—</i>												
October	368.2	49.5	417.7	11.8	73.1	272.3	27.3	299.5	9.1	51.0	640.5	76.8
November	368.6	49.6	418.2	11.9	73.1	272.4	29.7	302.1	9.8	51.4	641.0	79.3
December	370.2	51.0	421.2	12.1	73.5	269.4	31.2	300.6	10.4	51.1	639.6	82.2
<i>1992—</i>												
January	371.5	50.0	421.5	11.9	73.5	270.3	29.8	300.1	9.9	51.0	641.9	79.7
February	368.3	53.9	422.2	12.8	73.6	268.3	29.2	297.5	9.8	50.5	636.6	83.1
March	370.9	53.8	424.7	12.7	73.9	265.6	28.0	293.6	9.6	49.8	636.4	81.8
April	369.5	54.3	423.8	12.8	73.7	265.3	31.9	297.3	10.7	50.3	634.8	86.3
May	369.0	56.4	425.4	13.3	73.9	264.6	33.0	297.6	11.1	50.4	633.7	89.3
June	366.3	58.4	424.6	13.7	73.7	271.6	32.5	304.1	10.7	51.4	637.8	90.9
July	368.7	54.8	423.4	12.9	73.5	274.1	28.4	302.5	9.4	51.1	642.8	83.1
August	368.2	55.6	423.7	13.1	73.5	273.4	29.2	302.6	9.6	51.1	641.5	84.7
September	368.1	51.9	420.0	12.4	72.8	275.7	30.6	306.3	10.0	51.7	643.8	82.5
October	374.3	51.0	425.2	12.0	73.7	274.6	32.7	307.3	10.6	51.8	648.9	83.7
November	373.2	54.8	428.0	12.8	74.2	272.0	34.6	306.6	11.3	51.7	645.2	89.4
December	368.2	55.3	423.5	13.0	73.3	272.1	32.4	304.5	10.6	51.3	640.3	87.7

TABLE 10. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE, STATES: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES—continued

Month	Males					Females					Persons				
	Employed	Unemp- loyed -'000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate cent -	Employed	Unemp- loyed -'000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate cent -	Employed	Unemp- loyed -'000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate cent -
	WESTERN AUSTRALIA														
<i>1991—</i>															
October	439.9	59.5	499.3	11.9	77.2	309.1	37.3	346.4	10.8	53.7	749.0	96.7	845.7	11.4	65.4
November	446.1	57.8	503.9	11.5	77.8	311.1	36.4	347.5	10.5	53.8	757.2	94.2	851.5	11.1	65.8
December	441.6	55.8	497.4	11.2	76.6	312.0	35.1	347.1	10.1	53.6	753.6	90.9	844.5	10.8	65.1
<i>1992—</i>															
January	440.0	57.0	496.9	11.5	76.4	309.3	38.4	347.7	11.1	53.6	749.2	95.4	844.6	11.3	65.0
February	442.8	58.5	501.3	11.7	77.0	310.0	34.9	344.9	10.1	53.1	752.8	93.4	846.1	11.0	65.0
March	441.3	60.1	501.4	12.0	76.9	310.5	35.1	345.6	10.2	53.1	751.7	95.2	846.9	11.2	65.0
April	444.9	57.7	502.6	11.5	76.9	314.3	31.7	346.0	9.2	53.0	759.2	89.4	848.6	10.5	65.0
May	449.3	58.0	507.4	11.4	77.5	318.1	32.8	350.8	9.3	53.7	767.4	90.8	858.2	10.6	65.6
June	447.0	54.9	501.9	10.9	76.6	320.3	34.2	354.5	9.6	54.2	767.3	89.0	856.4	10.4	65.4
July	447.2	56.4	503.6	11.2	76.8	319.4	36.8	356.2	10.3	54.4	766.6	93.2	859.8	10.8	65.6
August	448.4	58.4	506.8	11.5	77.2	312.8	40.5	353.3	11.5	53.9	761.2	98.9	860.1	11.5	65.5
September	446.7	56.9	503.7	11.3	76.6	312.9	38.0	351.0	10.8	53.4	759.7	95.0	854.6	11.1	65.0
October	450.2	58.6	508.7	11.5	77.3	309.7	40.9	350.6	11.7	53.3	759.9	99.4	859.3	11.6	65.3
November	445.9	50.5	496.4	10.2	75.3	317.0	37.5	354.5	10.6	53.8	762.9	88.0	850.9	10.3	64.6
December	442.1	56.7	498.8	11.4	75.5	316.5	37.8	354.3	10.7	53.7	758.6	94.5	853.2	11.1	64.6
<i>TASMANIA</i>															
<i>1991—</i>															
October	112.6	14.9	127.5	11.7	72.9	81.5	8.7	90.1	9.6	49.9	194.1	23.6	217.7	10.8	61.2
November	111.9	15.5	127.4	12.2	72.8	79.8	9.5	89.3	10.6	49.4	191.7	25.0	216.7	11.5	60.9
December	112.2	15.0	127.2	11.8	72.6	78.8	8.7	87.5	9.9	48.4	191.1	23.7	214.7	11.0	60.3
<i>1992—</i>															
January	112.0	14.9	126.9	11.7	72.3	78.7	8.4	87.1	9.7	48.1	190.6	23.3	214.0	10.9	60.0
February	112.0	14.4	126.5	11.4	72.0	80.5	8.8	89.2	9.8	49.3	192.5	23.2	215.7	10.8	60.5
March	110.8	15.3	126.1	12.1	71.8	78.7	8.4	87.1	9.6	48.0	189.5	23.6	213.2	11.1	59.7
April	109.0	15.5	124.5	12.4	70.9	79.7	7.8	87.5	8.9	48.3	188.7	23.3	212.0	11.0	59.4
May	109.9	15.3	125.2	12.2	71.2	75.1	9.4	84.5	11.2	46.6	185.0	24.7	209.7	11.8	58.7
June	111.0	15.9	126.9	12.5	72.1	76.9	10.3	87.2	11.8	48.0	187.8	26.2	214.0	12.2	59.9
July	111.8	17.0	128.8	13.2	73.1	79.2	9.6	88.7	10.8	48.8	191.0	26.6	217.5	12.2	60.8
August	112.1	16.9	128.9	13.1	73.1	81.2	9.1	90.3	10.1	49.6	193.3	26.0	219.2	11.9	61.2
September	110.1	16.8	126.9	13.2	71.8	79.2	8.3	87.4	9.5	47.9	189.3	25.1	214.3	11.7	59.7
October	110.6	18.2	128.8	14.1	72.8	81.5	8.4	89.9	9.3	49.3	192.2	26.5	218.7	12.1	60.9
November	111.1	16.6	127.6	13.0	72.1	80.2	8.0	88.3	9.1	48.3	191.3	24.6	215.9	11.4	60.0
December	109.1	18.0	127.1	14.2	71.7	78.8	9.0	87.9	10.3	48.0	187.9	27.0	214.9	12.6	59.7

TABLE 11. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE, STATES AND TERRITORIES: TREND SERIES

Month	Males					Females					Persons				
	Employed	Unemp- loyed -'000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate cent -	Employed	Unemp- loyed -'000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate cent -	Employed	Unemp- loyed -'000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate cent -
NEW SOUTH WALES															
<i>1991—</i>															
October	1,510.9	168.4	1,679.3	10.0	73.9	1,065.9	113.1	1,179.1	9.6	50.3	2,576.8	281.5	2,858.4	9.8	61.9
November	1,509.3	171.1	1,680.4	10.2	73.9	1,067.3	115.7	1,183.0	9.8	50.4	2,576.6	286.8	2,863.4	10.0	62.0
December	1,509.1	171.4	1,680.4	10.2	73.8	1,070.2	116.0	1,186.2	9.8	50.5	2,579.3	287.4	2,866.7	10.0	62.0
<i>1992—</i>															
January	1,509.4	170.4	1,679.8	10.1	73.7	1,074.2	114.5	1,188.6	9.6	50.5	2,583.5	284.9	2,868.4	9.9	61.9
February	1,509.8	169.6	1,679.4	10.1	73.6	1,078.8	111.9	1,190.7	9.4	50.6	2,588.6	281.5	2,870.1	9.8	61.9
March	1,509.9	170.2	1,680.1	10.1	73.6	1,083.7	109.6	1,193.4	9.2	50.6	2,593.6	279.9	2,873.5	9.7	61.9
April	1,508.5	172.6	1,681.1	10.3	73.6	1,087.7	108.4	1,196.1	9.1	50.7	2,596.2	281.0	2,877.2	9.8	61.9
May	1,506.2	176.6	1,682.8	10.5	73.6	1,091.2	108.9	1,200.1	9.1	50.8	2,597.4	285.5	2,882.9	9.9	62.0
June r	1,502.8	181.5	1,684.3	10.8	73.6	1,094.0	111.2	1,205.2	9.2	51.0	2,596.7	292.7	2,889.4	10.1	62.1
July r	1,497.8	186.6	1,684.4	11.1	73.5	1,094.8	114.2	1,209.0	9.4	51.1	2,592.6	300.8	2,893.4	10.4	62.1
August r	1,491.8	191.2	1,683.1	11.4	73.4	1,092.8	116.8	1,209.6	9.7	51.1	2,584.7	308.0	2,892.7	10.6	62.0
September r	1,485.2	195.2	1,680.4	11.6	73.2	1,088.2	118.4	1,206.6	9.8	50.9	2,573.4	313.6	2,887.1	10.9	61.8
October r	1,478.2	198.9	1,677.2	11.9	73.0	1,081.9	119.1	1,201.0	9.9	50.6	2,560.1	318.0	2,878.2	11.1	61.6
November r	1,471.5	202.5	1,674.0	12.1	72.8	1,075.0	119.2	1,194.2	10.0	50.3	2,546.5	321.7	2,868.2	11.2	61.3
December	1,465.7	205.3	1,670.9	12.3	72.6	1,068.1	118.5	1,186.7	10.0	49.9	2,533.8	323.8	2,857.6	11.3	61.1
VICTORIA															
<i>1991—</i>															
October	1,131.4	143.3	1,274.6	11.2	74.4	847.6	93.5	941.1	9.9	53.0	1,978.9	236.8	2,215.7	10.7	63.5
November	1,132.5	144.1	1,276.6	11.3	74.5	846.6	96.0	942.6	10.2	53.1	1,979.1	240.1	2,219.2	10.8	63.6
December	1,131.8	145.1	1,276.9	11.4	74.4	843.6	97.6	941.2	10.4	52.9	1,975.4	242.7	2,218.1	10.9	63.5
<i>1992—</i>															
January	1,129.6	146.5	1,276.0	11.5	74.3	838.5	98.3	936.9	10.5	52.7	1,968.1	244.8	2,212.9	11.1	63.3
February	1,127.0	148.5	1,275.5	11.6	74.2	832.8	98.7	931.5	10.6	52.3	1,959.8	247.2	2,207.0	11.2	63.1
March	1,125.3	151.4	1,276.7	11.9	74.3	828.3	99.3	927.6	10.7	52.0	1,953.6	250.7	2,204.3	11.4	63.0
April	1,125.3	154.3	1,279.5	12.1	74.4	825.5	100.1	925.6	10.8	51.9	1,950.7	254.4	2,205.1	11.5	62.9
May	1,126.9	156.3	1,283.2	12.2	74.5	824.2	100.9	925.2	10.9	51.8	1,951.1	257.2	2,208.3	11.6	63.0
June r	1,129.3	157.8	1,287.1	12.3	74.7	824.5	101.5	925.9	11.0	51.8	1,953.8	259.2	2,213.0	11.7	63.1
July r	1,131.5	158.4	1,289.9	12.3	74.8	825.6	101.6	927.2	11.0	51.9	1,957.1	260.0	2,217.2	11.7	63.1
August r	1,132.2	158.5	1,290.6	12.3	74.8	826.6	101.3	927.9	10.9	51.8	1,958.7	259.8	2,218.5	11.7	63.1
September r	1,131.2	158.2	1,289.4	12.3	74.7	826.7	101.2	927.9	10.9	51.8	1,957.9	259.4	2,217.2	11.7	63.0
October r	1,129.4	157.5	1,286.9	12.2	74.5	826.6	101.5	928.1	10.9	51.8	1,956.0	259.0	2,215.0	11.7	62.9
November r	1,127.6	156.5	1,284.0	12.2	74.3	826.7	102.3	929.0	11.0	51.8	1,954.3	258.8	2,213.1	11.7	62.8
December	1,125.4	155.4	1,280.8	12.1	74.1	826.6	103.2	929.8	11.1	51.8	1,951.9	258.7	2,210.6	11.7	62.7

TABLE 11. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE, STATES AND TERRITORIES: TREND SERIES—continued

Month	Males					Females					Persons				
	Employed	Unemp- loyed -'000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate cent -	Employed	Unemp- loyed -'000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate cent -	Employed	Unemp- loyed -'000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Partic- ipation rate cent -
QUEENSLAND															
<i>1991—</i>															
October	776.4	87.5	863.9	10.1	75.4	544.6	57.5	602.1	9.5	51.6	1,321.0	144.9	1,465.9	9.9	63.4
November	776.6	88.8	865.4	10.3	75.4	548.4	57.7	606.1	9.5	51.8	1,325.0	146.5	1,471.4	10.0	63.5
December	776.0	89.4	865.4	10.3	75.2	552.3	58.2	610.6	9.5	52.1	1,328.4	147.6	1,476.0	10.0	63.6
<i>1992—</i>															
January	774.9	89.5	864.3	10.4	75.0	555.7	58.8	614.6	9.6	52.3	1,330.6	148.3	1,478.9	10.0	63.5
February	773.3	89.9	863.2	10.4	74.7	557.8	59.5	617.2	9.6	52.4	1,331.0	149.4	1,480.4	10.1	63.5
March	772.2	90.9	863.1	10.5	74.5	558.4	59.9	618.4	9.7	52.4	1,330.6	150.9	1,481.5	10.2	63.4
April	772.0	92.7	864.7	10.7	74.5	558.4	60.4	618.7	9.8	52.3	1,330.4	153.0	1,483.4	10.3	63.3
May	773.0	94.6	867.6	10.9	74.6	559.0	60.8	619.7	9.8	52.3	1,331.9	155.4	1,487.3	10.4	63.3
June r	774.9	96.5	871.4	11.1	74.7	561.0	61.3	622.3	9.8	52.4	1,335.9	157.7	1,493.6	10.6	63.5
July r	777.5	97.8	875.3	11.2	74.9	564.4	61.9	626.3	9.9	52.6	1,341.9	159.7	1,501.6	10.6	63.7
August r	780.0	98.4	878.5	11.2	75.0	568.0	62.8	630.8	10.0	52.9	1,348.0	161.2	1,509.2	10.7	63.9
September r	782.1	98.6	880.7	11.2	75.1	570.8	63.4	634.3	10.0	53.0	1,352.9	162.1	1,515.0	10.7	64.0
October r	783.4	98.9	882.3	11.2	75.1	572.7	64.0	636.7	10.0	53.1	1,356.2	162.8	1,519.0	10.7	64.0
November r	784.4	99.3	883.7	11.2	75.0	573.9	64.6	638.5	10.1	53.2	1,358.4	163.8	1,522.2	10.8	64.0
December	784.8	99.6	884.4	11.3	74.9	574.4	64.9	639.3	10.1	53.1	1,359.1	164.5	1,523.6	10.8	63.9
SOUTH AUSTRALIA															
<i>1991—</i>															
October	368.3	48.7	417.0	11.7	73.0	272.0	28.5	300.5	9.5	51.2	640.3	77.2	717.5	10.8	61.9
November	368.8	49.7	418.5	11.9	73.1	271.3	29.1	300.4	9.7	51.1	640.1	78.8	718.9	11.0	62.0
December	369.6	50.6	420.2	12.0	73.3	270.3	29.4	299.7	9.8	50.9	639.9	80.0	719.9	11.1	62.0
<i>1992—</i>															
January	370.0	51.6	421.7	12.2	73.5	268.9	29.7	298.6	10.0	50.7	638.9	81.4	720.3	11.3	62.0
February	370.0	52.8	422.8	12.5	73.7	267.4	30.2	297.6	10.1	50.5	637.5	83.0	720.4	11.5	61.9
March	369.8	54.1	423.8	12.8	73.8	266.6	30.6	297.1	10.3	50.4	636.3	84.6	721.0	11.7	61.9
April	369.1	55.3	424.4	13.0	73.8	266.7	30.8	297.5	10.4	50.4	635.8	86.1	721.9	11.9	61.9
May	368.4	56.0	424.4	13.2	73.7	267.9	30.8	298.7	10.3	50.6	636.3	86.8	723.1	12.0	62.0
June r	368.1	56.0	424.1	13.2	73.6	269.9	30.8	300.7	10.2	50.8	638.0	86.8	724.7	12.0	62.1
July r	368.4	55.4	423.7	13.1	73.5	272.0	30.7	302.7	10.1	51.1	640.3	86.1	726.4	11.8	62.2
August r	369.1	54.5	423.6	12.9	73.5	273.5	30.8	304.3	10.1	51.4	642.5	85.3	727.8	11.7	62.3
September r	369.9	53.8	423.7	12.7	73.5	274.1	31.1	305.2	10.2	51.5	644.0	84.9	729.0	11.7	62.3
October r	370.7	53.4	424.1	12.6	73.5	274.1	31.8	305.9	10.4	51.6	644.8	85.2	730.0	11.7	62.4
November r	371.2	53.3	424.5	12.6	73.5	273.8	32.5	306.3	10.6	51.6	645.0	85.8	730.8	11.7	62.4
December	371.6	53.4	425.0	12.6	73.6	273.1	33.2	306.3	10.8	51.6	644.7	86.6	731.3	11.8	62.4

TABLE 11. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE, STATES AND TERRITORIES: TREND SERIES—continued

Month	Males				Females				Persons			
	Employed	Unemp- loyed -'000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Employed	Unemp- loyed -'000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Employed	Unemp- loyed -'000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -
WESTERN AUSTRALIA												
1991—												
October	441.1	57.8	498.9	11.6	77.1	311.6	36.4	348.0	10.4	53.9	752.7	94.1
November	441.6	57.7	499.3	11.6	77.1	310.8	36.6	347.4	10.5	53.7	752.4	94.3
December	441.9	57.6	499.6	11.5	77.0	310.1	36.5	346.6	10.5	53.5	752.1	94.1
1992—												
January	442.1	57.9	499.9	11.6	76.9	310.0	35.9	346.0	10.4	53.3	752.1	93.8
February	442.5	58.1	500.6	11.6	76.9	311.0	35.0	346.0	10.1	53.2	753.5	93.1
March	443.5	58.0	501.6	11.6	76.9	312.8	34.1	346.9	9.8	53.3	756.3	92.2
April	444.8	57.8	502.6	11.5	76.9	314.9	33.7	348.5	9.7	53.4	759.7	91.5
May	446.2	57.6	503.8	11.4	77.0	316.5	34.0	350.5	9.7	53.7	762.7	91.6
June r	447.5	57.3	504.8	11.4	77.0	317.2	35.0	352.2	9.9	53.8	764.6	92.3
July r	448.1	57.0	505.1	11.3	77.0	316.7	36.5	353.2	10.3	53.9	764.8	93.5
August r	448.1	56.8	504.8	11.2	76.9	315.5	37.9	353.4	10.7	53.9	763.6	94.6
September r	447.6	56.5	504.1	11.2	76.7	314.4	38.7	353.1	11.0	53.8	762.0	95.2
October r	446.9	56.0	503.0	11.1	76.4	313.9	39.1	352.9	11.1	53.7	760.8	95.1
November r	446.1	55.6	501.6	11.1	76.1	313.8	39.1	352.9	11.1	53.6	759.9	94.7
December	445.3	55.2	500.5	11.0	75.8	314.0	38.9	353.0	11.0	53.5	759.3	94.1
TASMANIA												
1991—												
October	112.6	15.2	127.8	11.9	73.0	80.6	9.2	89.9	10.3	49.8	193.2	24.4
November	112.5	15.1	127.6	11.8	72.9	80.3	9.0	89.3	10.1	49.4	192.8	24.1
December	112.2	15.0	127.2	11.8	72.6	79.9	8.7	88.6	9.9	49.0	192.1	23.8
1992—												
January	111.7	14.9	126.6	11.8	72.2	79.5	8.5	88.0	9.7	48.6	191.2	23.5
February	111.2	14.9	126.1	11.8	71.8	78.9	8.5	87.4	9.7	48.3	190.1	23.4
March	110.7	15.0	125.8	12.0	71.6	78.4	8.6	87.0	9.9	48.0	189.1	23.6
April	110.5	15.3	125.8	12.1	71.6	78.0	8.9	86.9	10.2	47.9	188.5	24.1
May	110.5	15.6	126.2	12.4	71.7	77.9	9.1	87.0	10.5	48.0	188.4	24.8
June r	110.7	16.1	126.8	12.7	72.1	78.1	9.3	87.4	10.7	48.2	188.8	25.4
July r	111.0	16.5	127.5	12.9	72.4	78.7	9.3	88.0	10.6	48.4	189.7	25.8
August r	111.1	16.8	128.0	13.1	72.5	79.4	9.1	88.5	10.3	48.6	190.5	25.9
September r	111.0	17.1	128.1	13.4	72.5	80.0	8.8	88.8	9.9	48.7	191.0	25.9
October r	110.7	17.3	128.1	13.5	72.4	80.3	8.6	88.9	9.6	48.7	191.0	25.9
November r	110.4	17.5	127.9	13.7	72.2	80.4	8.4	88.8	9.4	48.6	190.8	25.9
December	110.0	17.6	127.6	13.8	72.0	80.2	8.3	88.5	9.4	48.4	190.2	25.9

TABLE 11. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE, STATES AND TERRITORIES: TREND SERIES—continued

Month	Males				Females				Persons			
	Employed	Unemp- loyed -'000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Employed	Unemp- loyed -'000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -	Employed	Unemp- loyed -'000 -	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate - per cent -
NORTHERN TERRITORY												
1991—												
October	42.0	5.3	47.3	11.2	81.1	31.6	2.9	34.4	8.4	62.7	73.5	8.2
November	41.4	5.4	46.8	11.5	80.3	31.7	2.9	34.5	8.3	62.8	73.1	8.2
December	41.0	5.3	46.3	11.4	79.5	32.0	2.7	34.8	7.9	63.2	73.0	8.0
1992—												
January	40.9	5.0	45.9	10.9	78.9	32.7	2.5	35.2	7.1	63.9	73.5	7.5
February	41.1	4.6	45.7	10.2	78.6	33.4	2.3	35.7	6.3	64.7	74.5	6.9
March	41.6	4.2	45.8	9.2	78.8	33.9	2.1	36.0	5.8	65.3	75.5	6.3
April	42.2	3.9	46.0	8.4	79.2	34.0	2.1	36.1	5.8	65.4	76.2	6.0
May	42.6	3.6	46.2	7.8	79.5	33.8	2.1	35.9	6.0	65.0	76.3	5.8
June r	42.8	3.5	46.3	7.6	79.6	33.3	2.2	35.5	6.2	64.2	76.1	5.7
July r	42.6	3.5	46.2	7.7	79.3	32.8	2.2	35.1	6.4	63.4	75.4	5.8
August r	42.2	3.7	46.0	8.1	78.8	32.5	2.2	34.7	6.5	62.7	74.7	6.0
September r	41.8	3.9	45.7	8.6	78.2	32.3	2.3	34.6	6.5	62.5	74.1	6.2
October (a) r	41.3	4.2	45.5	9.2	77.6	32.2	2.3	34.5	6.8	62.2	73.5	6.5
November (a) r	40.9	4.4	45.3	9.7	77.1	32.0	2.5	34.5	7.2	62.1	72.9	6.9
December (a)	40.5	4.6	45.1	10.2	76.7	31.8	2.6	34.5	7.7	62.0	72.4	7.2
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY												
1991—												
October	82.6	5.9	88.5	6.7	81.0	67.5	5.2	72.7	7.1	65.0	150.1	11.1
November	82.5	5.9	88.4	6.7	80.5	67.6	5.3	72.9	7.2	65.0	150.1	11.2
December	82.4	6.0	88.4	6.8	80.2	67.6	5.3	72.8	7.2	64.7	149.9	11.3
1992—												
January	82.4	6.2	88.6	7.0	80.2	67.3	5.1	72.5	7.1	64.3	149.7	11.4
February	82.4	6.5	88.9	7.3	80.4	67.0	4.9	71.9	6.8	63.7	149.4	11.4
March	82.5	6.8	89.3	7.6	80.5	66.6	4.7	71.3	6.6	63.0	149.0	11.5
April	82.6	7.0	89.6	7.8	80.6	66.2	4.9	71.0	6.8	62.7	148.8	11.8
May	82.9	7.0	90.0	7.8	80.8	65.9	5.3	71.2	7.5	62.7	148.8	12.4
June r	83.4	7.1	90.4	7.8	81.0	65.9	6.0	72.0	8.4	63.3	149.3	13.1
July r	83.9	7.1	91.0	7.8	81.4	66.5	6.7	73.2	9.1	64.1	150.4	13.8
August r	84.4	7.2	91.6	7.9	81.7	67.5	7.0	74.5	9.4	65.1	151.9	14.2
September r	84.9	7.3	92.2	7.9	82.1	68.7	6.9	75.6	9.1	65.8	153.5	14.2
October (a) r	85.3	7.2	92.5	7.8	82.3	69.9	6.5	76.4	8.5	66.4	155.2	13.7
November (a) r	85.6	7.1	92.7	7.7	82.3	71.0	6.0	77.0	7.8	66.8	156.6	13.1
December (a)	85.8	6.9	92.7	7.4	82.2	72.1	5.4	77.5	6.9	67.0	157.9	12.3

(a) These estimates may be subject to significant revisions as data for later months become available

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### **Introduction**

This publication contains preliminary estimates of the civilian labour force derived from the labour force survey component of the monthly population survey. Estimates for the current month are preliminary and subject to revision. Revised estimates for the current month and more detailed estimates will be published in *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0).

### **The population survey**

2. The population survey is based on a multi-stage area sample of private dwellings (currently about 31,000 houses, flats, etc.) and a list sample of non-private dwellings (hotels, motels, etc.), and covers about one half of one per cent of the population of Australia. The information is obtained from the occupants of selected dwellings by carefully chosen and specially trained interviewers. The interviews are generally conducted during the two weeks beginning on the Monday between the 6th and 12th of each month. The information obtained relates to the week before the interview (i.e. the reference week).

### **Scope**

3. The Labour Force Survey (LFS) includes all persons aged 15 and over except: members of the permanent defence forces; certain diplomatic personnel of overseas governments, customarily excluded from census and estimated populations; overseas residents in Australia; and members of non-Australian defence forces (and their dependants) stationed in Australia.

### **Coverage**

4. In the Labour Force Survey, coverage rules are applied which aim to ensure that each person is associated with only one dwelling, and hence has only one chance of selection. The coverage rules are, necessarily, a balance between theoretical and operational considerations. Nevertheless, the chance of a person being enumerated at two separate dwellings in the survey is considered to be negligible.

### **Population benchmarks**

5. New benchmarks based on the results of the 1986 Census of Population and Housing were introduced in the February 1989 issue of this publication. Labour force estimates were revised for the period January 1984 to January 1989. All estimates produced after January 1989 are based on the new benchmarks.

### **Revision of series**

6. From April 1986, the definition of employed persons was changed to include persons who worked without pay between 1 and 14 hours per week in a family business or on a farm (i.e. unpaid family helpers). For further infor-

mation, see paragraphs 36 and 37 of the Explanatory Notes to the February 1987 issue of *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0).

### **Survey sample redesign**

7. Following each Population Census, the ABS redesigns and reselects the LFS to take into account the new information which is obtained from the Census. The sample used in the LFS from September 1987 to August 1992, which was designed and selected using data from the 1986 Census, has been updated and reselected using information collected in the 1991 Census. The new sample is being phased in over the period September 1992 to December 1992.

8. For the most part, one quarter of the new sample is being introduced each month so that, by December 1992, the entire new sample will be in place. Replacement will occur generally at the rotation group level with two groups being substituted each month. Such a pattern of implementation means that any changes to labour force estimates due to differences between the two samples, or any other influences, will be spread over the four months rather than being concentrated in one inter-month period.

9. This phase-in scheme applies to the private dwelling sample in urban areas. The new sample for non-private dwellings and private dwellings in rural areas was introduced in a single stage in November 1992.

### **Potential effects on labour force survey estimates**

10. Implications for estimates produced from the LFS due to sample redesign and its implementation are as follows:

(a) the sampling error overall will increase initially by about 7 per cent over the current level but will decline gradually during the life of the new sample. For State estimates, the initial increase will be about 8 per cent, while for the Territories, there will be a decrease of 19 per cent. There will also be higher standard errors for the estimates of month-to-month movements produced over the period September 1992 to December 1992 compared with those for the corresponding series produced prior to this period and from January 1993 onwards. *Overall, these are estimated to be up to 20 per cent higher than the normal standard errors on monthly movements.*

(b) analysis has shown that the unemployment rate is marginally higher (less than 0.5 percentage points on average) for those persons in sample for the first time. Normally, this will not affect the overall

estimates of month-to-month movements because the number of persons in sample does not change significantly. However, during the transition period, there will be twice as many people as usual in sample for the first time. This may cause a small upward movement (of less than 0.1 percentage points on average) in the unemployment rate from August 1992 to September 1992 and a compensating decrease from December 1992 to January 1993.

11. For further information, see *Information Paper: Labour Force Survey Sample Design* (6269.0).

#### **Reliability of the estimates**

12. Two types of error are possible in an estimate based on a sample survey: sampling error and non-sampling error. The *sampling error* is a measure of the variability that occurs by chance because a sample, rather than the entire population, is surveyed. One measure of the likely difference resulting from not including all dwellings in the survey is given by the *standard error*. There are about two chances in three that a sample estimate will differ by less than one standard error from the figure that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included in the survey, and about nineteen chances in twenty that the difference will be less than two standard errors.

13. Standard errors of estimates for the latest month and of estimates of movements since the previous month are shown in the tables. Standard errors of other estimates and other movements may be determined by using information in the Technical Notes in *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0).

14. The smaller the estimate the higher is the relative standard error. Very small estimates are subject to high standard errors (relative to the size of the estimate) which detract seriously from their value for most reasonable uses. In the tables in this publication, only estimates with relative standard errors of 25 per cent or less, and percentages based on such estimates, are considered sufficiently reliable for most purposes. However, estimates and percentages with larger relative standard errors have been included and are preceded by an asterisk (eg. \* 3.4) to indicate they are subject to high standard errors and should be used with caution.

15. Examples of the calculation and use of standard errors are given below:

(a) An estimate of 500,000 employed persons aged 15 to 19 has a standard error of about 9,000. Therefore there are about two chances in three that the number that would have been produced if all dwellings had been included in the survey will be within the range 491,000 to 509,000 and about

nineteen chances in twenty that the number will be within the range 482,000 to 518,000.

(b) Consider estimates for females employed part time in Australia of 1,326,300 in one month and 1,341,200 in the next month. This represents an upward movement of 14,900 with a standard error of 11,100. Therefore, there are about two chances in three that if all dwellings had been included in the surveys, the movement would have been in the range +3,800 to +26,000, and about nineteen chances in twenty that it would have been within the range -7,300 to +37,100.

16. The imprecision due to sampling variability, which is measured by the standard error, should not be confused with inaccuracies that may occur because of imperfections in reporting by respondents, errors made in collection such as in recording and coding of data, and errors made in processing the data. Inaccuracies of this kind are referred to as the *non-sampling error*, and they may occur in any enumeration, whether it be a full count or a sample. Every effort is made to reduce the non-sampling error to a minimum by careful design of questionnaires, intensive training and supervision of interviewers and efficient operating procedures.

#### **Seasonal adjustment and trend estimation**

17. Seasonally adjusted series are published in Tables 2, 5 and 10. Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove the irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month. This means that month-to-month movements of the seasonally adjusted estimates may not be reliable indicators of trend behaviour. For example, irregular factors unrelated to the trend account for more than half the seasonally adjusted movement with the following frequency:

Employment:	5 in 10 monthly movements
Unemployment:	7 in 10 monthly movements
Unemployment rate:	7 in 10 monthly movements
Participation rate:	9 in 10 monthly movements

18. Smoothing seasonally adjusted series produces a measure of trend by reducing the impact of the irregular component of the series. The trend estimates have been derived by applying a 13-term Henderson-weighted moving average to the series. Trend series are used to analyse the underlying behaviour of the series over time. These are published in Tables 3, 6 and 11.

19. While this smoothing technique enables estimates to be produced for the latest month, it does result in

revisions to the most recent months as additional observations become available. Generally, subsequent revisions become smaller, and after three months have a negligible impact on the series. There will also be revisions as a result of the annual review of seasonal factors.

20. Trend estimates for the Australian Capital Territory and the Northern Territory are published in Table 11. Unadjusted series for the two Territories have shown, historically, a high degree of variability, which can lead to considerable revisions to the seasonally adjusted estimates after each annual seasonal factor re-analysis. Seasonally adjusted estimates are not currently published for the two Territories. The most recent six months trend estimates are subject to revision. For the three most recent months, the revision may be relatively large. Inferences about trends drawn from smoothed seasonally adjusted (trend) estimates for months earlier than the latest three months are unlikely to be affected by month to month revisions. They may be affected by revision resulting from the annual re-analysis of seasonal factors.

21. Users may wish to refer to the ABS Information Papers *A Guide to Smoothing Time Series - Estimates of 'Trend'* (1316.0), and *Time Series Decomposition - an Overview* (1317.0) for more detailed information on smoothing of seasonally adjusted time series data.

#### Semi-logarithmic graphs

22. Graphs on pages 2 and 3 have been drawn using a logarithmic vertical scale to aid comparison of rates of growth in series of differing magnitude. Equal distances on the vertical scale (over equal time periods) indicate equal rates of growth for graphs on the same page.

#### Related publications

23. Users may also wish to refer to *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0). This publication contains a detailed list of related publications which are available on request.

24. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications and Products, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

#### Unpublished statistics

25. As well as the statistics included in this and related publications, the ABS may have other relevant unpublished data available. Inquiries should be made to Heather Crawford on Canberra (06) 252 6525 or any ABS State office.

#### Symbols and other usages

\* subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses. See the Technical Notes in 6203.0 for more details.

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26. Estimates have been rounded and discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

#### Forthcoming issues

27. The following table shows the dates on which *The Labour Force, Australia, Preliminary*, (6202.0) publication is scheduled to be released.

	Issue	Release Date
1993	January	11 February 1993
	February	11 March 1993
	March	8 April 1993
	April	13 May 1993
	May	10 June 1993
	June	8 July 1993

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## GLOSSARY

*Attending school:* Persons aged 15 to 19 who, during the reference week, were enrolled full time at secondary or high schools.

*Attending tertiary educational institution full time:* Persons aged 15 to 24 who, during the reference week, were enrolled full time at universities, technical colleges, colleges of technical and further education and theological colleges.

*Employed:* Persons aged 15 and over who, during the reference week:

- (a) worked for one hour or more for pay, profit, commission or payment in kind in a job or business, or on a farm (comprising employees, employers and self-employed persons); or
- (b) worked for one hour or more without pay in a family business or on a farm (i.e. unpaid family helpers); or
- (c) were employees who had a job but were not at work and were: on paid leave; on leave without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the reference week; stood down without pay because of bad weather or plant breakdown at their place of employment for less than four weeks up to the end of the reference week; on strike or locked out; on workers' compensation and expected to be returning to their job; or receiving wages or salary while undertaking full-time study; or
- (d) were employers, self-employed persons or unpaid family helpers who had a job, business or farm, but were not at work.

*Full-time workers:* Employed persons who usually worked 35 hours or more a week (in all jobs) and others who, although usually working less than 35 hours a week, worked 35 hours or more during the reference week.

*Labour force:* For any group, persons who were employed or unemployed, as defined.

*Labour force status:* A classification of the civilian population aged 15 and over into employed, unemployed or not in the labour force, as defined. The definitions conform closely to the international standard definitions adopted by the International Conferences of Labour Statisticians.

*Not in the labour force:* Persons who were not in the categories employed or unemployed as defined.

*Participation rate:* For any group, the labour force expressed as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group.

*Part-time workers:* Employed persons who usually worked less than 35 hours a week and who did so during the reference week.

*Seasonally adjusted series:* A time series of estimates with the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation removed. See paragraph 17 of the Explanatory Notes for more detail.

*Trend series:* A smoothed seasonally adjusted series of estimates. See paragraphs 18 to 21 of the Explanatory Notes for more detail.

*Unemployed:* Persons aged 15 and over who were not employed during the reference week, and:

- (a) had actively looked for full-time or part-time work at any time in the four weeks up to the end of the reference week and:
  - (i) were available for work in the reference week, or would have been available except for temporary illness (i.e. lasting for less than four weeks to the end of the reference week); or
  - (ii) were waiting to start a new job within four weeks from the end of the reference week and would have started in the reference week if the job had been available then; or
- (b) were waiting to be called back to a full-time or part-time job from which they had been stood down without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the reference week (including the whole of the reference week) for reasons other than bad weather or plant breakdown.

*Unemployed looking for first full-time job:* Unemployed persons looking for full-time work (as defined) who had never worked full time for two weeks or more.

*Unemployed looking for full-time work:* Unemployed persons who actively looked for full-time work or were to resume a full-time job, from which they had been stood down.

*Unemployed looking for part-time work:* Unemployed persons who had actively looked for part-time work only, or were to resume a part-time job, from which they had been stood down.

*Unemployment rate:* For any group, the number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.



# **PERSONS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE**

## **SEPTEMBER 1992**

**SOON TO BE  
RELEASED**

This publication is expected to be released in mid-February 1993. It will provide information about the civilian population aged 15 to 69 who are not in the labour force.

As well as standard socio-demographic characteristics, this publication features information relating to the labour force aspirations of these people and reasons for not being in the labour force.

Information includes:

- whether persons would like to work
- availability to start work
- reasons for not looking for work
- childcare as a reason for not being in the labour force
- discouraged jobseekers
- intention to look for work
- activity while not in the labour force

The publication also provides information on previous employment, such as time since last job and occupation, status of worker and full-time/part-time status of last job.

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